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World's Biggest Air Disaster

79 RUGBY FOOTBALL SUPPORTERS PERISH

5 Seriously Hurt: Tragedy Near S. Wales Coast

LONDON, March 12 (PTI-Reuter).

THE WORLD'S BIGGEST AIR DISASTER TODAY KILLED 79 PEOPLE WHEN AN AVRO TUDOR CHARTER PLANE, PACKED WITH RUGBY FOOTBALL SUPPORTERS HOMEWARD BOUND FROM AN INTERNATIONAL MATCH, TURNED OVER IN MIDAIR AND NOSE-DIVED INTO A FIELD NEAR THE SOUTH WALES COAST.

Five seriously injured passengers were taken from the wreckage, surrounded with torn clothing and ruined baggage outside Sigginston village, 15 miles from Cardiff.

Only two of the five were expected to live.

Two other survivors staggered to a nearby farm after the crash. A third, wearing tattered uniform and bleeding from a gashed head, stumbled out of the wreckage, calling for help, eyewitnesses said.

It was reported to have turned over in midair after making a climbing turn on its approach to Llandow airport, Cardiff.

Emergency calls by police and local authorities alterted hospitals over a wide area before the number of casualties was known. The field where the wreckage lay was surrounded by widely scattered clothing and ruined baggage.

Air Vice Marshal Donald Bennett, war-time "Pathfinder" here of the R.A.F. and Operations Manager of the Plane's Owners, flew from Buckinghamshire to investigate the crash.

Two brothers, who saw the crash while playing football in their garden, dashed over and helped to get two men clear.

"The plane banked to the right and started to climb", one of them, 29-year-old Thomas Newman said. "Then the engines cut out and the aircraft nose-dived into the ground.

"It seemed to burst into pieces only a few yards from our garden. When we got there, a man staggered out of the wreckage and said, "get some help."

Sixty ambulances, rushing to the spot from surrounding districts, took bodies of victims to temporary mortuaries set up at a nearby Royal Air Force station and the neighbouring town of Cowbridge.

Message Incomplete).

A WORD TO THE TRADE

Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru, the Prime Minister, addressing members of the Committee of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry. On his left is seen Shree K. D. Jalan the President of the Committee.

Planning Body Meets

REGULAR SESSION FROM MAR. 28

(From Our Special Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, March 12.

The Planning Commission held an informal sitting today to finalise its terms of reference and its own setup. It will commence its regular sittings from March 28.

The Prime Minister, in his inaugural address to the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce took off the lid by stating that the Commission will not be merely a reporting body. It will be a live institution, extending its benefits to the cultivator in his village. In the nature of things, the Commission would have a number of experts and research Officers.

According to present calculations it will initially have sixteen officers and about 250 clerks. The terms of reference of the Committee would cover a survey and appraisement of the economic conditions, resources and finances of India and her requirements in agriculture, education, health, industries, and works. The principal aim of the Commission being an increase in the sum total wealth of India, it will, plan for an all round increased productivity.

Such a plan alone can succeed in securing full but productive employment and in raising the standard of living of the masses. In the nature of things therefore, the Commission must plan for better industrial relations. Finance has been the main handicap to rapid development and the Commission must recommend ways and means, not only for securing necessary finances for its plans but also to secure capital formation.

Members of the Commission are specialists in their own spheres, The Deputy Chairman of the Commission, Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda is an expert on Labour matters, Mr. Chintaman Deshmukh is an expert financier and banker. Mr. R. K. Patil is a specialist in matters pertaining to food and Agriculture. Mr. G. L. Mehta brings with him a fund of knowledge on industrial development. The Commission is expected to make a bid for success.

AN ACT OF AGGRESSION

Dr. Loha's Warning

POONA, March 1 (PTI).—The Socialist leader, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia, declared here today that the recent disturbances in East Bengal constituted an "act of aggression" on the independence and integrity of the Indian Republic which was a "threat to the peace of the world."

"The time is come," he said, "when the people and Government of India must declare in unequivocal terms that should conditions continue to deteriorate, the Indian Republic will be compelled to use all its resources including armed resources to suppress barbarism in areas where it has broken out."

Dr. Lohia, who was giving a talk on Indo-Pakistan relations, said that the Indian Republic was "as much a Muslim State so far as Muslim population is concerned." The Government of India should point out to the world, he added, that if the thirteen million Hindus in East Bengal were suppressed, the 35 million Muslims in India were in danger even though we wished to protect them even at the point of our extinction."

2 Planes Force-Land

MADRAS, March 12 (PTI): Two of seven 'Sentinels' (single-engined light aircraft) that took off from Coimbatore for Mysore this morning force-landed near their destination. One aircraft force-landed near Revandur, about fifty miles from Mysore City and the other near Hunsur, thirty miles west of Mysore city. The pilots are reported to be safe in both cases.

The Sentinels' left Coimbatore at 11-10 a.m. for Mysore. Five of them reached the destination according to schedule. One of the missing 'Sentinels' was earlier reported to have force-landed near Hunsur and a plane was sent to search the other aircraft in the Mysore area. Later it was located near Revandur.

The 'Sentinels' did not carry any passengers. They belonged to the Hind Provincial Flying Club, Lucknow and were now on a cross-country flight. They arrived in South India last week and had so far visited Trivandrum, Cochin and Colombo.

Pitched Battle Near Brussels

REFERENDUM ON EX-KING'S RETURN

BRUSSELS, March 12 (PTI-Reuter): Supporters and opponents of exiled King Leopold fought a half-hour pitched battle in a suburb of Brussels early today just as voting in the referendum on the King's return to his throne was about to start.

Another clash occurred at Liege. In both, bottles and stones were thrown.

At Belceil, near Mons, voting was delayed when villagers were called in to help evacuate furniture, valuables and art treasures from Belceil Castle, home of Prince Eugene De Lige, Belgian Ambassador in New Delhi.

The central heating plant in the castle had exploded and the fire quickly spread.

Other parts of Belgium were reported calm as polling stations opened.

5,000 Refugees Enter Goalpara

GAUHATI, March 12 (PTI): About 5000 refugees from East Bengal have entered the Goalpara District of Assam, it is officially learnt.

The Government of Assam are taking all necessary steps for their rehabilitation.

OSLO, March 12 (PTI-Reuter): Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, Western Union Defence Chairman arrived here by aid today.

MOVE TO REOPEN ANDHRA ISSUE

Kala Venkat Rao's Hint

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

MADRAS, March 12.

THE possibility of the Andhra province question being reopened shortly was envisaged by Mr. Venkat Rao, General Secretary of the All India Congress Committee, in the course of a speech at Vijayawada today.

The matter, he said, was closed as far as the Centre was concerned but it could be taken up by the Madras Government with whom, according to the last communication on the subject from the Central Government, further initiative rests.

If agreement on the disputed point could be arrived at in Madras, the problem would then have to be taken up at high level in Delhi, he said, meaning presumably that the President of the Republic would have to be moved to secure Parliament's vote.

Mr. Venkat Rao said that he would make effort to induce the Madras Government to re-open the question and wanted the public to strengthen his hands in that effort. At the same time, he made it clear that the Centre would never agree to arbitrate on the disputed financial issues connected with the formation of the province and that consideration must be borne in mind by those who expected arbitration by Centre.

Mr. Venkat Rao appealed that the issue of formation of the Andhra province should not be brought to the level of agitation from the stage of negotiation.

The P.T.I. adds:

"Delhi's job is only to affix its seal to a mutually agreed solution—between Andhras and Andhras and the Andhras and Tamils", he said.

The Congress Secretary said it would be "unwise on the part of the people of Andhra Desa to return to the former position of agitation for the same". He emphasised that the Andhras should unitedly make efforts to get the issue of the formation of the Andhra State to be reopened by the Government of Madras, which, he hoped, was possible.

Referring to the decision of the Partition Committee, Mr. Venkata Rao said there could be no better solution than the one offered by the Committee He thought that the compensation for the city of Madras of rupees one crore was reasonable.

PRACTICAL PLAN

The Congress Secretary desired that Mr. T. Prakasam, former Premier of Madras, "should not look with disfavour the practical proposition" which he put forward with regard to the early formation of the Andhra Province.

Mr. Venkata Rao stressed the urgent necessity for increasing production on all sides. It was with this view that the Congress Executive desire national planning and the Government of India readily acted upon it and formed a national Planning Commission, he said.

AGRARIAN REFORMS

Discussions In Delhi

NEW DELHI, March 12 (UPI).

THE Congress Economic Planning Sub-Committee and the representatives of the various constructive institutions, including the All-India Village Industries Association, All-India Spinners Association, Talim Sangh, Go Seva Sangh, met in a four-hour conference at the Government House this morning under the presidentship of Dr. Rajendra Prasad.

Prof. J. C. Kumarappa, on behalf of the All-India Village Industries Association, is understood to have placed before the conference the immediate programme for development and reorganisation of agrarian economy and agro-industries with a view to increase production and employment in the country. Printed copies of the Congress Agrarian Reforms Committee's report were made available to the members of the Conference and considerable discussions took place on the recommendations of the Committee regarding the removal of intermediaries on land, consolidation of agrarian holdings and methods of making cultivation efficient.

Measures for giving fair wages to labourers and fair prices for agricultural produce and protecting village industries against mill competition are understood to have featured largely in the discussions.

Shri Radha Kanta Bajaj, on behalf of the All-India Go Seva Sangh, presented the programme for 'Go Palan' in the country.

The conference adjourned at 8 p.m. to meet again tomorrow morning.

BRIGHT FUTURE FOR BUSINESSMEN

Mr. Birla's Plea For Co-operation

NEW DELHI, March 12 (PTI).

THE twentythird annual session of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry concluded today amidst cries of "Jai Bharat" and "Jai Hind."

Mr. G. D. Birla, the well-known industrialist, addressing the session, expressed his conviction that businessmen had a bright future in the country if only they would take the opportunities offered to them.

Today, the Federation opposed "encouragements of the State" in the field of trade and viewed with "increasing alarm" the "tendency on the part of Government to embark on industrial ventures without adequate preliminary investigation and without proper guidance of experienced industrialists".

While the Federation reiterated that the industrial and business community was "anxious to actively co-operate with the Government", it expressed "keen disappointment" that the Constitution of the Indian Republic did not procide any representation for Indian industry, trade and commerce in the Parliament.

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Sardar Nails Pakistan Press Lies

TOTAL DISTORTION OF CALCUTTA SPEECH

NEW DELHI, March 12 (PTI).

SARDAR PATEL, the Deputy Prime Minister, stated here today instead of feeling ashamed of what had happened in East Bengal, the Central and Provincial Governments in Pakistan were engineering excuses by tracing an imaginary origin of these atrocities.

In a statement, Sardar Patel described the "master plan" of Pakistan Press and leaders to attribute happenings in Calcutta to his speech in Calcutta Maidan as a "signal triumph of untruth and fabrication unequalled in the short but sustained record of falsehood and lies which Pakistan publicity has to its discredit."

Following is the full text of Sardar Patel's statement:

"Mr. Nurul Amin's latest statement repeating a reference to my Calcutta speech in the cock-and-bull chain of causation of the atrocities in East Bengal which he has presented to a credulous audience inside Pakistan would have been treated by me with the contempt it deserved but for the fact that Pakistan Government seems to have fallen a victim to a confidence trick played with such perverted ingeniousness by their oracle "The Dawn." It was first in its issue of the 22nd February that the "Dawn's" correspondent from Dacca imagined my hand in "Bengal carnage." Subsequently, in its issue of the 23rd February that confirmed prevaricator of truth, and fabricater of untruth, whose antics in this capital city are still familiar to us, came out with a fantastic "master plan" of loot, arson and murder in the implementation of which I am reported to have played a part somewhat similar to that of Mark Antony after the death of Julius Caesar.

"When I first read that gruesome imaginary story, cooked up by overwrought but diseased mental perversion, I dismissed it more in amusement than in anger. I thought that that was so palpably untrue that it could not claim any credence among the sane and reasonable persons of culture and refinement. But to my amazement, the first victim of this journalistic 'legerdemain' was no less exalted a person than Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, the Pakistan Prime Minister who, almost parrot-like, repeated the canard at his press conference on the 27th Feb.

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FRESH LIGHT ON LAIK ALI

SECUNDERABAD, March 13 (UPI).

THE investigations into the escape of Mir Laik Ali, former Prime Minister of Hyderabad, have been completed, it is understood.

The Government are exuected to issue a press note shortly throwing light on the whole affair.

It is now established, it is learnt, that Mir Laik Ali, escaped from house-custody on Friday the 3rd March. He drove to Gulbarga wherefrom he boarded the evening train for Bombay the same day. He is presumed to have flown to Karachi on Saturday, the 4th March, while his escape was discovered only on the 6th March.

Pakistan is not openly admitting Mir Laik Ali's presence in Karachi owing to her obligation to the Commonwealth as a Member-country, according to constitutional experts. A member country, it is stated, is not expected to give asylum to a wanted man specially to a man who has escaped from custody It is on this account that Pakistan is silent, and attempts are being made to send him away to a foreign country which may not be a member of the Commonwealth

SERIOUS FIRE AT SHILLONG

SHILLONG, March 12 (PTI): A serious fire broke-out at Shillong last night near Burra Bazar on the Gauhati-Shillong road. The circulation office of the "Hindustan Standard" and the "Ananda Bazar Patrika" was among the several shops gutted. The Army Fire Brigade brought the fire under control after three hours.

S.S.C. EXAMINATION

BOMBAY, Sunday.

Candidates for the S.S.C. Examination who are unable to find their seat numbers or who find their names under wrong subject groups should, without fail, see the Principal of the Sydneham College at 11 a.m. on Tuesday the 14th instant.

HURRICANE WIPES OUT A TOWN

BRISBANE, March 12 (PTI-Reuter): Torrential rain following the path of a hundred miles an hour cyclone which burst along six hundred miles of the Queensland coast yesterday, caused widespread floods as the cyclone swept inland. Building materials were today being rushed to the little sugar cane town of Carmila, which was practically wiped out by the hurricane. A large area of the State's sugar-cane belt was flattened.

Thousands of sheep, valued at many thousands of pounds, perished in flood waters at Windorah, south-western Queensland.

Reds On Hunger-Strike In Kanpur Jail

KANPUR, March 12 (PTI)

Nineteen Communist workers detained in the Kanpur District Jail are on hunger-strike since March 10 as a protest against the refusal of the authorities to allow them to celebrate Holi along with other prisoners in the jail premises, it is learnt.

The Communist detenus also demand an independent enquiry into the lathi charge by the police in the jail on March 4 following a clash between them and police in which 39 police officers and nineteen Communist workers were injured.

CALCUTTA: One Ansaruddin Haldar was arrested by the Howrah police today. On a search of his person two daggers and Pakistan currency notes amounting to Rs. 50 were recovered by the police.

New Federation Chief

Mr. Tulsidas Kilachand who has been elected President of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry for the current year is a leading figure in the Commercial and Public life of Bombay.

INDIAN COMMERCE FEDERATION

New Office Bearers

NEW DELHI, March 12 (UPI): Shri Tulsidas Kilachand of Bombay was elected President of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry for the year 1950-51, at the 23rd annual session of the Federation held at New Delhi today. Shri C M. Kothari of Madras was elected Vice-President and Shri D. N. Sen of Calcutta as Treasurer.

The following were elected members of the Committee:

Shri K M. Goenka Calcutta (Textile Mills); Shri B. P Agarwalla, Jharia (Mining); Shri Ramanbhai B. Amin, Baroda (other industries, not specified); Bawa Bachittar Singh, Delhi (other trade and commerce); Shri K. G. Saraiya, Bombay, (not specified) Shri P. M. Chinai, Bombay, (not specified)

The following were co-opted to the Committee:— Shri K D. Jalan, Calcutta; Shri Dharamsey M Khatau, Bombay; Shri A. D Shroff, Bombay; Shri J J Kapadia, Bombay; Shri G. D. Somani, Bombay; Shri R Ramanathan Chettiar, Madras.

EXCISE CONSTABLE ARRESTED

BOMBAY Sunday.

Inspectors Dumale and Dave today arrested an Excise Constable (No. 25) along with four other persons. The arrested men were found to be in possession of implements for manufacturing liquor, the Andheri Police reported today.

Russia Will Use Atom Energy For Defence Of Communism

LONDON, March 12 (PTI-Reuter).

THE SOVIET UNION WILL USE ATOMIC ENERGY FOR "BUILDING AND DEFENDING COMMUNISM", DEPUTY PREMIER LAZAR KAGANOVICH PROCLAIMED IN AN ELECTION DAY STATEMENT TO RUSSIA'S MILLIONS AS THEY VOTED TODAY FOR NEW SUPREME SOVIET.

"Stalin's instructions that our science must not only not lag behind but overtake bourgeois science are being carried out", he told electors, according to a "Tass" official Soviet news agency despatch received in London.

"Such an important fact as the mastering of the secret of obtaining atomic energy by Soviet scientists bears witness to the considerable achievements of Soviet science constantly surrounded by the care and attention of the Soviet Government, the Party and Comrade Stalin personally."

Mr. Kaganovich added "we are pursuing a policy of peace, but we do not fear war."

Himself a candidate in the general election being held all over the Soviet Union, the Deputy Premier said that the incomes of Soviet factory and office workers in 1949 were 24 per cent higher than in 1940 and the incomes of the peasants were more than thirty per cent higher

Early today polling booths opened over the whole country from Vladivostock in the Far East to Leningrad in the West.

The Moscow Region Election Committee reported that by noon (local time) every voter in the Moscow constituency where Prime Minister Josef Stalin is standing as a Deputy had cast a vote.

Many other constituencies throughout the Soviet Union reported polls of between ninety and one hundred per cent by midday. In some, voting was complete by 11ne in the morning.

Moscow Radio said nearly one hundred per cent poll was expected everywhere Many electors went to the poll straight from work, where some worked special "Stakhanovite" shifts "in honour of polling day."

According to Tass, there was a holiday atmosphere everywhere. As dawn broke over Moscow, the carpet of flaky snow in the streets glittered and sparkled in the light of millions of coloured electric bulbs.

Moscow, Leningrad and other principal cities were decked out with bunting and banners, and there were portraits of Stalin and of local candidates everywhere

First votes were cast at Cape Wellen northern-most point in the Soviet Far East, where Sunday moring came while it was still Saturday evening in Moscow.

Polling booths were opened on Russian ships at sea and on nearly 300 trans-continental passenger trains. The remotest one was near the South Pole in the cabin of a Soviet whaler. Under the Soviet sistem anyone can vote wherever he may be on polling day

LONDON, March 12 (PTI-Reuter): There was no sign or sound of Stalin's expected speech at (7-30 a.m. I.S.T.) today.

Marshal Stalin was expected to address voters in the Stalin District of Moscow, where he is a candidate.

Assam Budget

GAUHATI, March 12 (PTI).—The twentyfour-day budget session of the Assam Assembly will commence in Shillong tomorrow Mr. Sri Prakasa, Governor of Assam, will address the House after the members had taken their oath of allegiance to the new Constitution

Mr Bishnuram Medhi, the Finance Minister will then present his budget for 1950-51 with an introductory speech.

Twenty of the twenty-four days have been allotted for Government business and four for private members business.

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BY COLLECTOR OF BOMBAY

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1. The Collector of Bombay will auction separately the lease for 99 years of plot Nos. 163, 168, 173 177 & 170 in Southern Section of Block II, Back Bay Reclamation measuring about 1982, 2014, 2028 2100 & 2028 sq. yds. respectively on 16-3-1950 at 12 Noon at Old Custom House, Fort, Bombay.

2. Prospective bidders must deposit with the Collector for each plot Rs. 10,000/- in cash or Govt. Securities before 3 p.m. on 15-3-1950. The deposit will be forfeited if a successful bidder withdraws his offer or fails to pay deposit money of five years ground rent within a week of his being declared the highest bidder.

3. The Collector is not bound to accept the highest or any bid; and acceptance of a bid by him is subject to the sanction of Government.

4. Terms and conditions of the lease and the plan can be obtained at the office of the Superintendent, Bombay City Survey, Old Custom House for Rs 2.

(7271)

PUBLIC NOTICES

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NOTICE HAVING BEEN GIVEN of the loss of policy No. 1386 on the life of Mr. Bhairamal Gorakhram Kedia, a duplicate thereof will be issued and settlement of the maturity claim will be done by the Company unless objection is filed within one month from the date hereof.

B. K. SETALVAD,
General Manager,
Incharge Bombay Division
Dated 13-3-1950. (7345)

NOTICE.

THE B.E.S. & T. UNDERTAKING

SEALED TENDERS for Undertaking Annual Contracts (1) to take about 700 passport size photographs; (2) to wash about 12,000 Clothes; (3) to supply 60 Tables and 60 Chairs made of Teakwood, will be received by the Chief Storekeeper Electric House, Fort, Bombay, 1, up to noon on the 23rd March, 1950.

Tender Forms can be obtained from the Chief Storekeeper on payment of Rs. 5/- per Form, Sales Tax extra. (7344)

THE B.E.S. & T. UNDERTAKING.

SEALED TENDERS for the supply of Lubricating Oils and Greases for (1) Tram Cars (16,000 Gallons L. Oils and 23,000 lbs. greases) and (2) Omnibuses (70,000 gallons oils and 9 tons greases) will be received by the Chief Storekeeper, Electric House, Fort, Bombay 1, up to noon on the 23rd March 1950.

Tender Forms can be obtained from the Chief Storekeeper on payment of Rs. 5/- per Form. Sales Tax Extra. (7343)

THE SVADESHI MILLS COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Svadeshi Mills Co., Ltd. will be closed from Saturday the 8th April to Saturday the 6th May 1950 both days inclusive.

By Order of the
Board of Directors.
Tata Industries Ltd.,
Managing Agents.
T. V. BADDELEY.
Director
Bombay, 10th March 1950. (7342)

THE CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Thirty-ninth Ordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Central Bank of India, Limited, will be held at the Central Bank Building, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Bombay, on WEDNESDAY the 29th day of March, 1950 at 4 P. M. (S.T.) to transact the following business:—

1. To receive the Report of the Directors and the Audited Accounts for the period ended 31st December 1949.
2. To declare a dividend.
3. To elect Mr. C. P. Wadia who vacates his seat as a Director under Article 86 of the Articles of Association and who is eligible and offers himself for re-election.
4. To elect three Directors in place of Mr. Bapuji D. Lam, Mr. H. F. Commissariat and Mr. Manmohandas M. Amersey who retire by rotation under Article 94 of the Articles of Association read with regulation 78 Table A of the Indian Companies Act and who are eligible for re-election.
5. To appoint Auditors and to fix their remuneration.

By Order of the Board,
H. C. CAPTAIN,
Managing Director.
Bombay, 8th March 1950.

N. B.:—The Transfer Books of the Bank will be closed from Friday the 10th day of March 1950 to Wednesday, the 29th day of March 1950 (both days inclusive).

N. B.:—Dividend Warrants for the half-year ended 31st December 1949 will be posted to the shareholders at their registered address on and after the 30th day of March 1950. Shareholders are requested to intimate the Bank their change of address, if any, immediately. (7341)

TENDER NOTICE NO: A/830

THE CHIEF DIRECTOR of Purchase, Ministry of Food (Div. II), Jamnagar House, Mansingh Road, New Delhi invites tenders for the purchase and removal of refractions collected during the grinding of wheat for the Defence Services at (i) The Wallace Flour Mills Co. Ltd. Bombay and/or (ii) The Benarsi Dass Steam Roller Flour Mills, Ambala Cantt., during the period 1-4-1950 to 31-3-51. The refractions generally comprise of broken wheat, gram, cockle, ghundi, bhusi, wheat dust, mill sweepings, etc. etc.

The tenders should be sent so as to reach him by 4 P.M. on 27-3-1950 on tender forms (not transferable) obtainable from his Office upto 20-3-1950, at Rs. 10/- (not refundable) per set paid in cash or by money order (cheques will not be accepted) quoting tender notice number and remitter's full name and address. Applicants not already on the list of approved contractors with the Ministry of Food must also state the names of their bankers. (7334)

PUBLIC NOTICES

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

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Principal. (7329)

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the Bank will be CLOSED from the 27th March to 11th April, 1950, both days inclusive. (7326)

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AUCTION SALE OF 77 BALES PUNJAB DESHI COTTON

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Indore Notes

(From Our Correspondent)

INDORE, March 12: The residents of Ujjain city have submitted a memorandum to the Railway Ministry demanding the running of one more passenger train between Ujjain and Indore.

CONGRESS MUNICIPAL CANDIDATES: It is announced that the following 22 persons have been declared as Congress candidates for the 22 elected seats of the Indore city Municipal Council. The general elections of the Council under adult franchise are due to be held on March 19. Messrs Kantilal Patel, Abdulrab Nishtar, Babulal Nigam, G. R. Dighe, Kanchanlal Dhruv, Indorilal Badjatia, Sadashivrao Dunbe, Siremal Chhajed, Jhumarlal Verma, Ratanlal Gupta, Prof. Jaidevprasad Dube, V. V. Sarwate, Bhaichandra Gokhale, A. L. Purohit, A. M. Khutal, D. S. Patil, Shardadevi Purohit, Badrinarayan Sodani, Vimalchandra Jhanjari, Laxmansingh Chauhan, Tarashanker Pathak and Srikrishna Khandelwal.

HARIJANS' DEMANDS: A conference of Harijans and depressed class people held recently at Kurwai in Bhelsa district under the chairmanship of Harijan leader Mr. Sunnulal has demanded proportionate representation in the State Assembly, State Cabinet and Indian Parliament.

GWALIOR MAJDUR CONGRESS: The Madhyh Bharat Government has recognised the Gwalior Majdur Congress as the representative organisation of the textile workers at Gwalior. This step has been taken under the Industrial Relations Act.

MILL CLOSURE POSTPONED: The management of the Swadeshi Cotton and Flour Mills has postponed the closure of the third shift of the mills by one month. The third shift will accordingly be closed from April 3.

RETAIL IN CLOTH UNPROFITABLE

Viramgam Dealers' Dilemma

(From Our Correspondent)

VIRAMGAM, March 12.

Information from retail cloth dealers indicates that they have to pay more than 13 per cent profit to wholesalers and that eventually leaves no margin for them as they have to comply with the terms of licence. This state of affair has resulted in acute concern in these circles and they have informed the G.P.C.C. authorities of this development.

Cases of railway coolies overcharging from passengers are reported at this station in view of great rush of passengers here and in many cases fancy charges are asked for. It would be more in the interest of the travelling public if the authorities would see that the authorised porterage charges are levied from the public.

INCREASING RICE PRODUCTION

Improvement In Milling Machinery Suggested

NEW DELHI, March 12 (P.T.I.): Reports reaching the Central Food Ministry confirm that slight improvements in the rice milling machinery can increase the country's rice output.

Available information places the number of rice mills in India at 10,000 most of which are of the huller type, giving an out-turn ranging between 50 and 75 per cent. As against a total number of 6,500 mills in the state, 6,000 are of the huller type.

Information received from Kashmir show an increase of about four per cent in the rice out-turn as a result of improvements in the machinery.

Mridula Sarabhai In Dacca

DACCA, March 12 (PTI-Reuter):— Miss Mridulla Sarabhai, well-known social worker from India arrived here yesterday morning by air from Calcutta to study the situation. She is expected to visit some outlying parts of the district and leave Dacca on March 13. Mr. Santosh Kumar Basu, Indian Deputy High Commissioner to Pakistan, returned to Dacca yesterday from Calcutta.

CLOTH AND YARN FROM HEMP

M. P.'s Visit Relief Work Centre Near Delhi

NEW DELHI, March 12 (PTI). FIFTY members of the Indian Parliament today inspected the experiments of producing cloth and yarn from hemp at the Rehabilitation Ministry's training-cum-work centre in Arab-Ki-Sarai, about seven miles from Delhi.

The centre, established two years ago at the site where travelling Arabs once enjoyed the traditional Indian hospitality, has recently been equipped with Japanese machines to start a six-month course in village industries for displaced persons.

Over 200 refugees are being trained to handle these machines by seven Japanese technicians recently recruited by the Government of India. These technicians cost the Government an average monthly expenditure of Rs. 2,000/- each.

The centre conducts experiment with hemp and other fibrous plants, namely, bauhinia vahlii, adina cordia folia and wicksttroemia. All these plants are now either being wasted or exported as raw material. Unprocessed hemp at present constitutes a major item of India's export trade, export during the seven months of the year 1949-50 being valued at nearly Rs. 26 lakhs.

POTENTIALITIES

One of the Japanese technicians told a PTI correspondent that hemp imported from India was being commonly used in Japan for producing cloth or exported in the form of fibre ready for spinning. It would be more advantageous, he added.

The experiments at the centre, it is stated, have interesting potentialities, in the background of the shortage of staple cotton and jute in India.

Arab-Ki-Sarai has two types of trainees. Firstly, those those who seek employment and secondly, those with capital who intend to start their own industries after receiving training. The latter group, it is expected, will absorb trainees of the former category, thus enabling their permanent rehabilitation.

The trainees receive stipends during the first few weeks after which they are paid wages on peace rate system. The Articles produced are marketted by the centre under a co-operative scheme. Besides, the regular trainees, ten Indian supervisors are being trained to take up the work of the Japanese technicians.

OUTPUT

A Japanese plant, consisting of two scutching and carding machines, at a cost of Rs. 35,000/- has been installed in the Garabo section of the centre. The average daily out turn of the plant is about 304 lbs. of yarn out of 400 lbs. of raw material consisting of rags, cotton waste, cloth cuttings and waste yarn, etc.

Twenty-nine trainees of the bamboo section are producing articles, such as, buttons, knitting needles, bamboo plywood, and bamboo screens.

Other machines installed in the centre include those for oil extraction, nail making, printing, braids and shoe laces and spinning wheels, paper thread and power presses for manufacturing toys.

The cost of the present Japese machineries is about Rs. 1,20,000. The Government have granted about Rs. three lakhs for this year to the centre. Order for machinery worth Rs. one million has been placed with Japan and 12 more Japanese technicians are being recruited.

Lack of electricity is one serious handicap to the technicians in expanding the work at present.

SCANDINAVIAN CUSTOMS UNION

A Scandinavian Customs Union may be a possibility later on, according to an official statement issued on Saturday after the two-day meeting in Stockholm of Swedish, Norwegian and Danish Foreign Ministers and the Icelandic Charge d'Affairs.

COMMUNISTS WILL CRUMBLE

Deposed Chinese President's Hope

NEW YORK, March 11 (PTI-Reuter): Li Tsung-jen, who as acting Nationalist President of China, came to the United States for medical treatment said here yesterday that the Chinese people would soon rise up and overthrow both the Communists and the regime of Chiang Kai-shek.

Li said he had ordered General Pai Kwei, "a very loyal and very able supporter" to begin underground activities in Canton. "There is panic among the Communists, because Pai Kwei and his men are following our plans", he added.

DAY-LIGHT DACOITY IN VAGAD

MANDVI, (Kutch), March 12.

A during day-light dacoity was committed in the afternoon of March 9 at Village Moda (District Vagad), when half a dozen decoits entered the village with deadly weapons and took away at the point of revolvers an amount of Rs. 20,000/- from a local merchant in the midst of hue and cry of several hundred people. None of the miscreants has been traced yet.

Bombs In Deserted House

JULLUNDUR, March 12 (PTI): Two country made bombs were recovered from an uninhabited house in the village of Appra, Jullundur District, following a search by the police.

A bomb had exploded in the same house on the night of March 5 causing minor injuries to the owner of the house, when he was removing bricks from the compound.

President To Visit Surat

SURAT, March 12 (P.T.I.): Dr. Rajendra Prasad, the President of the Indian Republic, will visit Surat on April 5, according to information received here.

Giving A Spurt To Exports

INDONESIA'S SCHEME

DJAKARTA, March 12 (P.T.I-Reuter): The Indonesian Government last night announced a new scheme for export inducement which it described as "a radical change in foreign exchange system and in the import and export regulations linked up with it".

The official statement said the object of the scheme was to end "all manner of illegal commercial transactions and smuggling" which were promoted by the present foreign exchange system and interfere with the development of exports.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

Describing the scheme, which comes into effect on Monday, the statement said Indonesian exporters will receive, in addition to payment in Indonesian currecy for their goods, a foreign exchange certificate, together with an import permit, which will entitle the holder to buy foreign exchange up to the nominal value endorsed on it.

After Monday no foreign exchange will be issued for imports, or for other payments abroad, unless the applicant holds a certificate.

The Government expects this plan to stimulate exports, thus making a greater volume of foreign exchange available for purchasing badly needed commodities.

TWENTY-THOUSAND FLEE TO ASSAM

Movement Of Refugees From East Bengal

KARIMGANJ (Assam), March 12 (U.P.I.): It is officially estimated that after the recent disturbances in East Bengal, about 20,000 refugees arrived in Cachar District crossing the Pakistan border from and through Sylhet District. Nearly 500 refugees arrived at Karimganj on March 9 when the Rehabilitation Minister, Mr. Mohanlal Saksena visited the town.

JOURNALIST ARRESTED

Charge Of Inciting The Masses

(From Our Correspondent)

KARACHI, (By Air Mail): For allegedly writing some revolutionary articles, a journalist and well-known Urdu writer Ibrahim Jalees, has been taken into custody by the Karachi C.I.D. under the Sind Public Safety Act.

Authorities felt that the writings of Mr. Jalees tended to incite the masses against the Pakistan Government and thereby create disruption in the country.

CONSIDERABLE WORK IN TRAINING PHYSICISTS

Department Of Scientific Research Takes Stock

NEW DELHI, March 12. (UPI). CONSIDERABLE work has been done in India in the field of cosmic rays and the training of physicists, chemists and technicians for specialised work on atomic energy, according to the report of the Department of Scientific Research for 1949-50.

Development of atomic energy will always demand fundamental work in various places on various problems. The Atomic Energy Commission have schemes of research in Research Institutes, Universities and Laboratories all over India. During 1948-49 and 1949-50 the Commission sanctioned grants totalling Rs. 2,33,332/- and Rs. 2,25,150 respectively for research schemes for atomic energy at research institutes and universities all over India.

IN BOMBAY

Considerable amount of work is stated to be in progress at the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Bombay, where young scientists are being trained in special techniques required for atomic energy work and instruments required for atomic energy research are being made. The Commission also has its laboratory in Bombay side by side with the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research and the premises of the old Yacht Club have been leased for three years for this purpose. Structural alterations are being carried out.

A rare minerals section of the Atomic Energy Commission has been set up to survey India for the location of minerals useful in connection with atomic energy work. This unit has done useful work in the survey of beryl which is used as a moderator in the atomic pile and also as an alloy with copper for fatigueless metal fabrication and master alloys.

India has also been surveyed for her potential as reguards monazite from which thorium, cerium and other rare earths are produced. Surveys have been carried out and the reserves of monazite sands in India have been estimated. A detailed survey is still in progress.

PROCESSING RARE EARTHS

A factory for the processing of rare earths and thorium from monazite sands it being set up in India, and this factory is expected to process 1,500 tons of monazite sand per year. India has upto now been importing thorium, verium and other rare earths which are required for use in various industries such as the gas mantle industry and metallurgical operations for the manufacture of flints, aluminum base alloys, etc. This can be processed from monazite sands in which traces of uranium may also be present.

INCLUDE SOCIALISTS IN CABINET

Dalmia's Appeal

NEW DELHI, March 12 (PTI): The view that "proper nationalisation" was no hindrance in the way of industrial prosperity and that industrial progress depended upon sound and healthy administration and practical planning instead of paper schemes was expressed by Seth Ramkrishna Dalmia in a statement to the press.

Seth Dalmia said that the present circumstances called for the strengthening of the Cabinet so as to include men of practical experience and independence and suggested that other responsible parties like the Socialists and progressive minded Hindu elements should be associated with the administration in order to win the confidence of the people.

PAK SMUGGLERS ACTIVE

Exchange Of Fire With Customs

AMRITSAR, March 12 (PTI): Four Indian customs officials and 12 smugglers exchanged fire near Khaira on the Indo-Pakistan border, according to a report received here.

The report said the smugglers had two cars, a camel and a horse, carrying bales of cloth. Three of them escaped in one car while the others were apprehended by the customs people. Cloth worth about Rs. 40,000 was seized.

East Pakistan Telegraph Workers To Strike

DACCA, March 12 (U.P.I.): The East Pakistan Telegraph Workers will go on strike from one midnight of March 16 next, as their demands have not yet been accepted by the authorities. Their demands include revised scales of pay, house rent allowance city allowances, special pay of Rs. 10, uniforms and recognition of the All Pakistan Telegraph Workmen's Union.

HE SHOWED SUPERB COURAGE IN A DIFFICULT SITUATION

Vir Chakra Awarded To Major Karam Singh

NEW DELHI, March 12. (PTI). FOR undaunted courage and great devotion to duty shown in two actions in the Jammu and Kashmir operations, Major Karam of the Central India House (Armoured Corps) has been awarded the Vir Chakra.

It was on April 9, 1948, that Maj. Karam Singh was leading a mechanised column advancing towards Chingas in Rajauri area and helping our infantry to launch an attack on an important hill feature when the carrier in front of him came under heavy hostile machine-gun fire. He went forward to cover it with his tank, thus enabling it to withdraw.

ENEMY ROAD-BLOCK

Moving along a narrow and treacherous road, Maj Karam Singh then came across an enemy road-block surrounded by mines. The road at this place was not wide enough to take a tank, while on one side was a sheer drop of fifty feet and on the other a precipitous cliff. The enemy opened up a fierce barrage and with the approaching darkness, it became impossible for his force to move forward, the only alternative left, being, to get back.

Realising the critical situation he was placed in, Maj Karam Singh got out from his tank under heavy enemy fire and directed the reversing of the tank until it reached a suitable and safe harbouring place.

In another action a day earlier, Maj Karam Singh commending a squadron, was asked to give support to the troops attacking a strongly-held hostile position on the Barwali Ridge. For five hours, this officer kept on giving support to the attacking infantry in open ground covered by continuous enemy machine-gun fire. He kept his head out of his tank to have better control over his squadron and to see that his supporting fire was aimed in the right direction.

SUPERB COURAGE

The citation says: "Maj Karam Singh's superb courage and complete disregard of personal safety were indeed above praise. But for this officer's fine leadership and great devotion to duty, the advance to Chingas might have been delayed and the capture of Rajauri consequently taken several days".

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People IN THE NEWS

MADRAS GOVERNOR

MADRAS March 12 (PTI): The Maharaja of Bhavnagar, the Governor of Madras, accompanied by Her Highness the Maharani left Madras this morning by special plane for Patna.

The Governor will later visit Gaya, Banaras and Dehra Dun before reaching Delhi in time for the two-day State Governors' Conference to be held there on March 18 and 19.

Section 144 In Agra

AGRA, March 12 (UPI): Orders under Section 144 Cr. P.C. have been promulgated in Agra for a period of one month as a precautionary measure to prevent any kind of disturbances in the city.

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Kashinath Singh,

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Lowtide 02-44, 14-06.

Today's Engagements

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.—Meeting of today (Monday) at 3 p.m. (B.T.)

ASSN. MONTESSORI INTERNATIONALE: Inauguration of the 12th Indian Montessori Training Course by His Excelency Raja Sir Maharaj Singh St. Xavier's College Hall, 6 p.m.

Y.W.C.A.: Public meeting to present the 75th Annual Report, Y.W.C.A. premises Mayo Rd., 6 p.m. Rani Maharaj Singh will preside.

BOMBAY ART SOCIETY: Exhibition of paintings by Mr. A. B. Chogale Art Society's Salon, Rampart Row, 6-15 p.m.

P.E.N. AND ALL-INDIA WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: Meeting to honour the memory of Shrimati Sarojini Naidu, Wilson College Hall, 6-30 p.m. Hon. B. G. Kher will preside.

PETROLEUM WORKERS UNION: General Body meeting, opposite Sewri Rly. Station, 9-30 a.m.

Government House News

BOMBAY, March 12.

The Governor of Bombay and Rani Maharaj Singh attended a farewell party to the Commonwealth Team. Rani Maharaj Singh presented gifts to the teams on behalf of the Board of Control for Cricket in India.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. D. Wadia, Mr. and Mrs. Farrok S. Mulla and Dr. and Mrs. Schinzel came to dinner.

ANTI-DRINK BHIL SATYAGRAHA

Movement Gaining Strength

(From Our Correspondent)

UJJAIN, March 12: The anti-drink Bhil Satyagraha launched by the Banvasi Anti-drink Satyagraha Committee in the districts of Ratlam, Jhabua, and other neighbouring areas is gaining strength and reports received from different centres show that everywhere the Bhils are holding conferences and demonstrations demanding early Prohibition.

The Bhils also demand that deportation orders passed against Pt. Baleshwardayalu founder of Rajasthan Bhil Sewak Sangh Bamnia and Mr. Keshavachandra Jain, Editor, Lokshashan must be cancelled immediately. It is stated that the Satyagrahis are now allowed to carry on their propaganda and no arrests are being made. However, the Government has not yet announced enforcement of prohibition in that area. The Rajputs; Jahgirdars, Government servants and reactionaries are encouraging Bhils to continue drinking.

SPIRITUAL GATHERING

The 20th Adhyatmic Sadhan Samaramph (Spiritual gathering) will be held under the auspices of Adhyatmic Mandal Kalpavrikha, Ujjain from the 19th to 22nd March, 1950 at Ujjain on the Holy banks of the ascred river Shipra where Lord Shri Krishna received his education. This spiritual gathering will be attended by renowned aspirants from all over India.

Dr. Durgashanker Nagar the founder of the spiritual institution and Editor of the Kalpavriksha magazine in an apeal has requested spiritualists all over world the greatest need at this hour for removal of racial hatred and universal brotherhood through spiritual means. They have been asked to send their messages or thesis on any spiritual subject sa spiritual life, healing, Meditation, prayer, psychology, God Consciousness. Unity of religion to be read to the audience on the occasion of this sacred gathering.

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PROHIBITION WILL HIT BHANDARIS HARD

Plea For Alternate Work

BOMBAY, Sunday.

A plea that some provision should be made to relieve the economic depression which threatened to hit the Bhandari community of Bombay with the advent of total prohibition in the State, was made by Dr. M. N. Birje, Honorary Magistrate and a member of the Bombay Municipal Corporation, in the course of his presidential address at a conference of the representatives of Bombay's 2,50,000 Bhandaris.

The President stated that, while the community generally appreciated Government's efforts to eradicate the drink evil and to improve the moral standard of the people, total prohibition would cause severe hardships to the vast number of people who for centuries had lived and maintained their families on the liquor and toddy trade.

The Bhandaris had tried their hand at other methods of earning their livelihood, but owing to their educational backwardness, they had not been able to hold their own against more advanced interests. To throw them at this juncture out of their source of livelihood was unjust and inhuman, the speaker emphasised. Faced as the country was with ever-growing unemployment and economic crisis, it was deplorable to add lakhs of people to the stream of discontented masses.

NIRA TRADE

As a means of relieving the hardships of the Bhandari community, Dr. Birje suggested that since Government had decided to give an impetus to the Nira industry, Bhandaris should be given preference in this trade, especially as they had the necessary experience to conduct the Nira business. This would give employment to several thousands who would be thrown out of employment when prohibition was ushered in the State.

The speaker further recommended that besides giving preference to Bhanradis in the nira industry, Government should help the prohibition unemployed and their dependents by giving them employment in Government and semi-Government concerns. In this connection it was suggested that the age limits educational qualifications should be relaxed. For those who were unemployed, Government should consider the question of granting an unemployment allowance till such time as they secured jobs, as Government was responsible for their losing their means of livelihood.

"When the Congress Government first contemplated prohibition in 1938, Mahatma Gandhi had stated at a conference of the Bhandari community that Government would see to it that the members of the community would not remain unemployed," said Mr. Chandrakant Paigankar, "yet today no scheme for the employment of the Bhandaris had been put forth".

Tracing the history of the community, Mr. Paigankar said that the Bhandaris had been granted a monopony in the toddy trade following the destruction of their navy by the British, and the community had lived on the liquor and toddy business for centuries. But besides the people who extract toddy from the cocoanut and palm tree, there were others who worked in toddy booths and liquor shops, who would also be affected by prohibition. Deputations which had waited on the Excise Minister for some assurance that a scheme of employment would be evolved for the prohibition unemployed, had to go back disappointed.

In conclusion, the speaker said that with prohibition only a month off, Government should formulate some measure whereby the Bhandari community would be adequately occupied.

TAKE LESSON FROM BRITISH PEOPLE

Bihar Minister's Call

PATNA, March 12: "Take lessons of austerily and discipline from the British people. They had a general election just now and it was entirely peaceful. This peaceful use of franchise is the very basis of sound democracy and if you want your democratic Republic to succeed, you must learn to use your franchise in a way which is in keeping with the dignity of a great people which you claim to be". Thus observed the Hon'ble Shri Ramcharitra Singh, Minister of Irrigation, Electrification and Legislative Departments, while inaugurating the anniversary of the Shri Rashtriya Pustakalay, Shahpur-Daudnagar, held yesterday under the presidentship of Shri Ramdhari Sinha 'Dinkar'.

The Hon'ble Minister added that the irresponsible slogans given by some of the political parties had an unsetting effect on the people and they disturbed the creative mood of the nation. They had done away with the foreign rule and removed its last vestige on the day they declared themselves a Sovereign Democratic Republic, and now they must strengthen the freedom that they had got. This could be done only if they kept complete peace for a while and talked of notihng which was not likely to add to the programme of reconstruction.

Although the Congress had come for a good deal of criticism recently, the speaker continued, it was the only party in the country which claimed the largest amount of popular support.

Ejectment Of Tenants In Banaras State

LUCKNOW, March 12 (UPI): The Government of Uttar Pradesh have, it is understood, issued instructions to stay proceedings in cases relating to the ejectment of agricultural tenants in the area that comprised the Benaras State. Such cases, it is gathered had been filed by the landlords under Banaras State laws in order to secure ejectment of their tenants before the tenancy laws of the Uttar Pradesh could be promulgated there.

GAON PANCHAYATS PROSPER IN U.P.

Reports Enucouraging

LUCKNOW, March 12 (UPI): Reports of the working of the Gaon Panchayat Scheme received at the headquarters of the Uttar Pradesh Government are said to be very encouraging and promising. The scheme, it may be recalled, was introduced about a year ago.

A Village Panchayat in the district of Dehra Dun is reported to have set an example of self-help by constructing a four-mile long canal which would provide irrigation facilities to nearly 5,000 acres of land.

In the Nainital District the Village Panchayats have constructed a large number of roads and also made lighting arrangements.

A three-mile road is the achievement of a Village Panchayat in the district of Fatehpur. Farmers themselves did the entire manual work and no money was spent on construction.

Useful work is being done by the Village Panchayat in the direction of education also. Two primary schools have been opened by them in Nainital District and one in the District of Almorah. In the Allahabad District, several Village Panchayats have set up reading rooms and libraries besides opening schools.

Hindi Book Banned In U.P.

LUCKNOW, March 12 (UPI): The U.P. Government has proscribed a Hindi book entitled "Guru Govind Singh" written by Shri Devi Das alias "Nirbhay" and printed at Shri Gopal Printing Works, Hathras, as it contains matter the publication of which is punishable under Section 153-A of the I.P.C.

TODAY'S RADIO

MONDAY, Mrch 13.

Air News From Delhi

English 8 a.m. 1-30 p.m. 6, 9; Gujarati 8-45 a.m. 1 p.m. 8-15; Hindustani 8-15 a.m. 1-40 p.m. 6-10, 9-15; Kannada 7-45 a.m. 7-45 p.m. Malayalam 7-30 a.m. 7-30 p.m. Marathi 8-30 a.m. 12-50 p.m. Tamil 7-15 a.m. 7-15 p.m. Telugu 7 a.m. 1-50 p.m. 7 p.m.

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7-30 a.m. Bhor Bhaee. 7-35 Physical Education. 7-40 Today's programme. 7-45 K. Desai, G. Bhajan. 8-15 V. Shrikhande, kh. v. d. 12-45 p.m. Tantrakari. 12-50 K. Desai, G. Bhajan. 1-40 Dance Music. 4-20 School Broadcast. 5-0 Hindi by Radio. 5-20 A. R. Puranik, kh. v. d. 5-40 K. Warekar, Bagheshri. 6-10 Music Lessons. 6-30 M. Khan, Been. 6-50 A. R. Puranik, kh. v. d. 7-10 Locals. 7-30 K. Warekar, Purvi. 7-30 K. Desai, Geet, Ghazal. 7-45 For Industrial Workers. 8-30 Centre & States, G. Talk. 8-45 Month's Song. 9-15 M. Khan, Been. 9-30 Film Songs. 9-45 Bombay Diary. 10-0 Rita Gloria, Piano. 10-20 Orch. Music. 10-45 S. Vaz, Violin.

VARIATIONS

8 a.m. M. Khan, Been. 8-45 S. W. Wakankar, Bhavgeet. 1-0 p.m. S. W. Wakankar, Bhavgeet. 1-10 Raag Rang. 1-50 For Women. 5-0 Hindi by Radio. 6-0 G. V. Shanbhag, K. Songs. 6-20 For Rural Listeners. 7-30 Commercial News. 8-15 S. W. Wakankar, Bhavgeet. 9-0 G. V. Shanbhag, K. Songs. 10-0 B. Virani's G. Drama, "Dawakhanun". 10-30 V. Shrikhande, Kedar.

BARODA

7-30 a.m. Salutation. 7-40 Physical Education. 7-45 As in Ahmedabad. 8-15 Y. Purohit, Alap. 5-30 p.m. As in Ahmedabad. 5-45 Raag Patdeep, Bahar. 6-10 Hindi Lessons. 6-30 For Rural Listeners. 7-0 As in Ahmedabad. 7-15 B. C. Shah, G. Talk on Recruting. 7-30 Y. Purohit, Alap. 8-0 Raag Shreni. 8-10 Locals. 8-30 Y. Purohit, Alap. 9-30 H. Shukla, Geetobhari Kahani.

AHMEDABAD

7-30 a.m. As in Baroda. 7-40 Physical Educations. 7-45 V. R. Athavale, Komal Rishab Ni Ashavri. 8-15 V. Purohit, Vocal. 5-30 p.m. D. Mehta, Geets. 5-45 As in Baroda. 6-10 Hindi Lessons. 6-30 V. R. Athavale, Khyal. 7-0 Our India. 7-15 Our Province, G. Talk. 7-30 For Industrial Workers. 8-0 Raag Shreni. 8-10 Locals. 8-30 Y. Purohit, Vocal. 9-30 V. H. Athavale Kh. Bageshir-Kannad.

B. B. C.

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE: 6-45 a.m. Life in Britain. 7 Tip-Top Tunes. 7-30 London Forum. 8 Ray's A. Laugh. 8-45 London Light Concert, Orchestra. 10 Variety Bandbox. 11 B.B.C. Midland Light Orchestra. 11-45 Souvenirs of Music. 12-45 p.m. Programme Parade. 1 John Bull's Band. 1-30 Listeners' Choice. 2-30 Under the Greenwood Tree. 3 Music for Dancing. 4 Military Band. 4-45 Listeners' Choice. 5-15 Generally Speaking. 5-45 Dance Music. 6-45 Adolf Hallis. 7-45 Variety Bandbox. 8-45 B.B.C. Midland Light Orchestra. 9-15 Commonwealth Survey. 9-48 Music From Grand Hotel. 10-30 Science Review.

EASTERN SERVICE: 7-30 a.m. Question and Answer. 8 Aj Ke Mehman. 8-5 Jam-I-Jam. 8-20 Masail-I-Hazira. 8-30 Vichar Sabha. 8-45 Halki Dhun Mein.

LOCAL SHOWERS IN ASSAM

All-India Weather

POONA, March 12 (PTI).

The following is the daily weather summary for Sunday.

Weather has been dry over the country except for local showers in Assam, in and near the hills of Punjab and of West Uttar Pradesh and in Travancore-Cochin.

Day temperatures were appreciably above normal over the region from West Uttar Pradesh to Orissa.

Forecast valid until Monday evening: There will be local thundershowers in Uttar Pradesh, Vindhya Pradesh, Chota Nagpur, Sub-Himalayan West Bengal, and in Upper Assam. Scattered thundershowers are also likely in Punjab (India), Bihar, Mysore and in the near Travancore-Cochin.

An earthquake shock of slight intensity at its origin with epicentre about 840 miles away from Poona was recorded by the seismographs in the Meteorological Office, Poona, at 7-39 a.m. I.S.T. on Sunday, March 12, 1950.

The following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and fainfall in inches during the past 24 hours from 1st December 1949 and departure from normal recorded at 8-30 a.m. I.S.T. on 12th March 1950:

Ahmedabad 95 65 0 0 minus 0.2, Allahabad 97 60 0 1.7 minus 0.4, Bangalore 92 69 0.2 minus 0.9, Bhavnagar 97 64 0 0 minus 0.3, Bhopal 94 67 0 2.1 plus 1.4, Bhuj 94 65 0 0 minus 0.4, BOMBAY 88 67 0 0 minus 0.3, Kanpur 95 64 0 0.9 minus 0.8, Cherrapunji 70 57 0 4.4 plus 0.3, Darjiling 53 44 0 1.9 minus 0.7, Gwalior 97 68 0 0.4 -, Hyderabad (Dn.) 98 63 0 1.6 plus 0.4, Indore 93 60 0 0.2 minus 0.5, Jamshedpur 97 63 0 0.5, Khandwa 99 65 0 0.5 minus 0.4, Kodaikanal 67 51 0 4.0 minus 6.1, Kolhapur 98 64 0 0 -, Kurnool 100 72 0 0.1 minus 0.6, Mahabaleshwar 76 67 0 0 minus 0.6, Mangalore 88 77 0 0 minus 0.7, Mercara 83 62 0 2.5 plus 1.2, Mussoorie 56 42 0.3 6.3 minus 3.1, Mysore 93 69 0 0 0.8 0, Ootacamund 71 48 0 1.5 minus 2.3, Pachmarchi 85 64 0 1.7 minus 0.2, Patiala 79 56 0 3.3 -, Poona 98 58 0 0 minus 1.9, Shillong 71 55 0 2.7 plus 0.4, Sholapur 100 67 0 0.1 minus 0.7, Simla 52 37 0.3 7.8 minus 0.1 Surat 95 65 0 0 minus 0.3.

WOMAN PRESIDENT FOR MYSORE CONGRESS

BELUR (Mysore State), March 12 (PTI): Mrs. Yashodharamma Dasappa, well-known Congress leader of Mysore, was elected President of the State Congress Committee at a special session of the Committee here yesterday.

The first woman to be elected to presidentship of the State Congress, Mrs. Dasappa is the wife of Mr. H. C. Dasappa, Finance Minister of Mysore. She is a noted social worker and has been conducteing the Kasturba Centre in the State. She defeated her rival candidate for the presidentship, Mr. S. Chenniah by 68 votes to 55.

The election followed the resignation from the presidentship of Mr. T. Siddhalingiah who accepted office as Finance Minister in the State Cabinet.

The Committee condoled the deaths of Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose and Dr. Sachchindananda Sinha.

AFFORESTATION IN UTTAR PRADESH

65,583 Acres Acquired

LUCKNOW, March 12 (UPI): The U.P. Government has acquired 65,583 acres of land in the various districts of the State for afforestation and creation of fuel and fodder reserves.

An area of 8,000 acres has also been set apart as an integral part of the Ganga Khadar Colonization Scheme for creation of fuel and fodder reserves and timber plantation under a five-year scheme which has been drawn up in consultation with the Directorate of Colonisation.

REFUGEE TRAINING IN COTTAGE INDUSTRIES

Rs. 3 Lakhs For U. P.

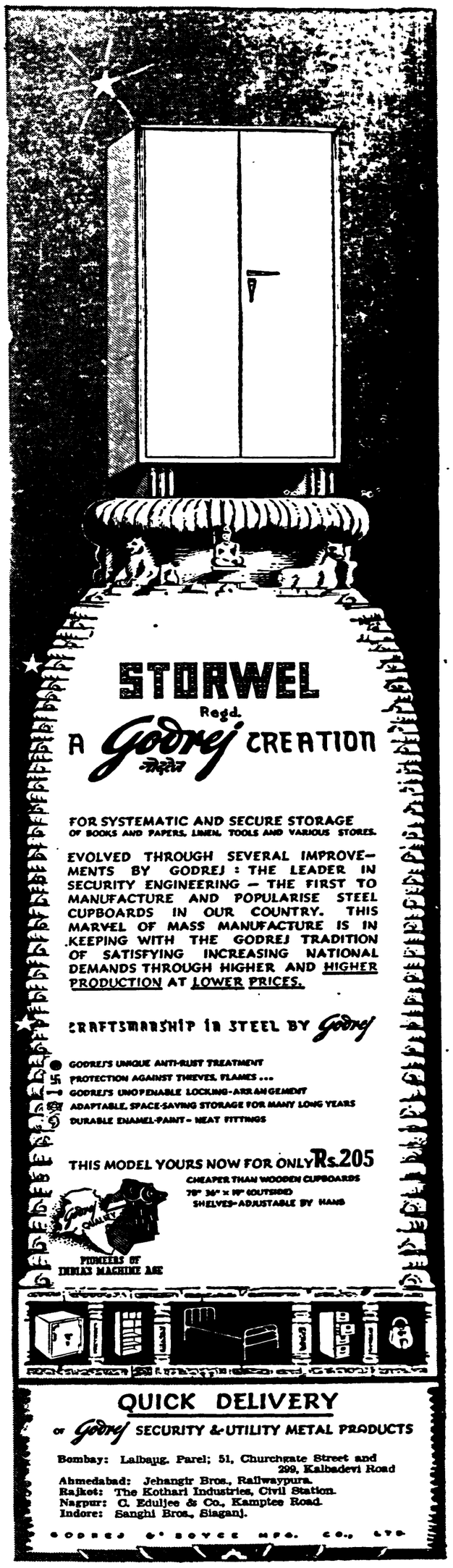
LUCKNOW, March 12 (UPI): The Ministry of Relief and Rehabilitation of the Government of India have, it is learnt, agreed to place a sum of three lakh at the disposal of the Directorate of Cottage Industries of the Government of Uttar Pradesh for running training-cum-production centres for cottage industries. Out of this amount a sum of rupees two lakhs has been allotted for the purchase of Japanese machinery to be introduced at this centre.

Enraged Husband Stabs Wife To Death

(From Our Correspondent)

KARACHI, March 12: Twenty-year-old Khurshid Begum is reported to have been stabbed to death by her husband on her refusal to go and live with him.

The deceased was married to Mohammad Mobeen, a local ghee merchant about 9 months ago but on account of some differences with her husband, she went away to stay with her parents. When all his attempts to bring back his wife failed, Mobeen is alleged to have gone to his father-in-law's house with some sweets and flowers for his wife and as soon as she came out to receive them, the accused is reported to have stabbed her to death and then made good his escape before the neighbours could apprehend him.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Pakistan's Trade Pact With West Germany

(From Our Correspondent)

KARACHI, March 12: A special Trade agreement has now been concluded between Pakistan and West Germany.

According to this agreement, West Germany will supply to Pakistan capital goods, machinery, tools, chemicals and pharmaceuticals worth 420 lakh marks while Pakistan in return will export to that country jute, cotton, wheat and hides and skins.

As for wheat, West Germany has expressed its inability to avail of the Pakistan offer on account of its high price consequent upon Pakistan's non-devaluation decision.

CONFISCATION OF PROPERTY

Bill To Curb Dacoity In N. W. F. P.

(From Our Correspondent)

KARACHI, March 12: With a view to curb increased cases of murder and dacoity in the province, the North West Frontier Province Assembly, during its current budget session, has passed a special Bill to amend the Criminal Law Procedure Act whereby part or whole of immovable property of a person convicted for murder or murder with dacoity, could be confiscated.

Urging for the immediate passing of the Bill, the Frontier Premier declared that the Bill would act as deterrent to offences of homicide which were abnormally high in the province.

The Bombay Chronicle

CALL TO BUSINESS

In Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's speech to the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry, there were three important points: Firstly, it was necessary to secure the co-operation of everybody; secondly, it was not enough to feel satisfied that one was doing one's best for the people, but, whether it was Government or industrialist, it was essential that the people should be convinced that the best was being done; thirdly, everyone, the villager in his village or the townsman in his environment, must feel that by his work he was contributing to national wealth. All three points need emphasis at the present stage of national development and the Prime Minister did not spare his words in driving them home to his audience. Moreover, it was refreshing to see one leader who was not indulging in the language of sacrifice in speaking of current problems. Pandit Jawaharlal bluntly told the assembled businessmen that the desire displayed for the removal of controls by Indian Business could not be conceded and that they were largely responsible themselves for this state of affairs. The experience of the Government on the occasions when controls had been lifted or relaxed, was not such as to commend an extension of the experiment to wider fields. In deploring "the paternal approach", the Prime Minister touched on another sore spot in public life. It was good, he said, that people in the Government spoke of working for the good of the public. But it was not good enough. It was also necessary that people should feel they were all working for a common enterprise, that everyone was associated in however small a fashion with the responsibility for achieving results, as partners in a large undertaking. The question is how this spirit is to be recaptured or rather applied to the new national problems which face the people.

The way that the Prime Minister pointed out, is one which can secure all round progress. Everyone should feel that by doing his work well he is helping the nation forward. This is an important matter and one which requires a psychological revolution as its foundation. In the national struggle for freedom, the political work that was required by the peculiar technique of satyagraha, called for abnormal service. What was contributed by the ordinary citizen was outside his usual routine work. As a result, the many staunch workers for the Congress went back to normal life in between active manifestations of the movement and, on the attainment of independence, lost the opportunity for rendering public service which again in the new context called for a different training. If now the work of these men and others who are capable of giving voluntary service is to be harnessed to national effort, it will be necessary to organise social work on a new basis. But th needs of the nation for increased production and industrial efficiency require that the first emphasis be placed on good work rendered in the routine tasks. In the years of struggle, somewhat naturally the routine was held of small account and it is difficult to revive enthusiasm in the daily round which to the majority is pure drudgery. It is now necessary to stress the fact that it is the doing of the daily tasks that is important, and that anything else comes afterwards. On the other hand, when Pandit Jawaharlal talks of the need for "working together", he tells the people that a different attitude in industry is now required. And he underlines this message when he tells the captains of industry that the general impression that Business is only interested in profits, whether correct or false, has to be removed and that it is by their acts that industrialists can carry conviction to the workers.

It was to the task of ensuring the co-operation of everyone that the National Planning Commission had to address itself. Pandit Jawaharlal observed that he did not see how, however rapid our industrialization was, it could absorb over hundreds of millions. He stressed the futility of doles and appealed for cottage or small-scale or co-operative industries to fill the gap; since everyone was a consumer, even the unemployed had to produce something and, from what the Prime Minister said, it was the intention of the Government not only to see that everyone was productively employed but also to secure full employment. Here was the pattern for industrial progress to which Pandit Jawaharlal called all men in responsible positions in industry to lend their effort. It could not be called a specific programme because that calls not for an assurance that the State will try to employ all citizens gainfully but a definite detailed scheme for providing such employment. Such a programme will entail a far greater degree of co-operation between Government and Industry than prevails today. But the Prime Minister has definitely sounded the note and it is for Business to rise to the occasion.

A Futile Suggestion

In an editorial in the "Harijan", the Editor, Mr. K. G. Mashruwala discusses the issues arising out of East Bengal. Calling for a thinking afresh and an examination of the very roots of our "various assumed problems", Mr. Mashruwala sets forth eleven "axioms" which Hindus, Muslims, Sikhs, Christians and others of both Bharat and Pakistan "must realise". The first of these is rather curiously worded. "Bharat and Pakistan, though politically two independent sovereign States, together constitute one 'All-India', and one fatherland of all the people living in either of the two sub-countries" he observed. The third postulate is "that no State must be founded in the name of any particular class, creed, race or culture; and the mere fact that the majority of the people in the one are Hindus and in the other Muslims cannot be allowed to permit either of them to develop into a State based on or dedicated to the culture, religion or principles of any one of them". All the rest follows from these two points, neither of which has any relevance to the existing state of affairs. It is rather unfortunate because much else of Mr. Mashruwala's observations are so obviously full of commonsense that one hesitates to quarrel with his premises. But since the two fundamental points of his position are not only irrelevant but even likely to create strong opposition in Pakistan, it is necessary to answer them.

The Congress opposed as it was to the partition for years of political work, naturally shuns any interpretation of the act which accepts the two-nation theory. It has often been said by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru that it was a territorial not a communal partition. But this is evading the facts. The partition of India was brought about because the Muslim League wanted an Islamic State. The shape of Pakistan was determined by the decision to have predominantly Muslim majority areas in that Dominion and to have the predominantly non-Muslim areas in India. Because Pakistan had its very foundations in an agitation for an Islamic State, Pakistan declared its ideal to be the Islamic State. India which followed the old tradition of nationalism, could no more reverse its policies than Pakistan could, and the ideal of the Secular State has been set up here and pursued with fair consistency. There have been set-backs from the ideal here and it must be frankly admitted that the ideal needs to be upheld continuously and consistently. We have enough on our hands contending against our own difficulties to bother about telling Pakistan that it cannot work as an Islamic State. Moreover, our insistence will, if anything, drive Pakistan in the opposite direction.

If Mr. Mashruwala's two points could be conceded, then there would never have been any need for partition. Now that partition has been brought about, his various solutions for the East Bengal trouble are only so many arguments for upsetting the partition or for nullifying the national implications of it which Pakistanis most cherish. Mr. Mashruwala observes, for instance, that in both sub-countries a person of one subcountry might go to the other and move about with the same feeling of mental ease and confidence with which he might do in another province or administrative unit of his own; that all distinctions between Indians and Pakistanis must be obliterated and regarded as inconsequential and merely of administrative convenience. This is only one step short of declaring a common citizenship for India and Pakistan which we are very far from now. Instead of considering what India should do when non-Muslim nationals of Pakistan are being hounded out, Mr. Mashruwala somewhat irresponsibly suggests what would be the ideal—unattainable to the ordinary mortals.

The Indian Government realizes, and so do the majority of public personalities in India, that such advocacy can only add fuel to the Pakistan fire without relieving the sufferings of those who have turned to India for relief from unendurable sufferings in Pakistan. That war and exchange of populations will bring no peace between the two Dominions; that arson, looting and rape will not help the minority in Pakistan: these are obvious propositions which need not have been repeated by Mr. Mashruwala but for the exhibitionism of the stunt-mongers and the sensational press. But to rush from one extreme to the other is hardly to make a useful contribution to the inter-Dominion question. If India is prepared to declare, of her own accord and on her own initiative, that she regards the distinction between Indian and Pakistani as obliterated, and if she has confidence in the strength of her people to see this policy through, the experiment might be made from this side alone. But if there is any expectation of Pakistan following suit, then we shall be living in a fool's paradise. Only preparedness to ensure the worst from Pakistan in a spirit of sacrificial suffering will make such a policy bear fruit. We for one would not recommend the Mashruwala way, knowing what the consequences must inevitably be More orthodox policies are called for, and the Government, we are glad to note, has no intention of following the "Harijan" lead.

Tete-a-Tete

WITHOUT COMMENT.

VATICAN CITY, March 9 (PTI-Reuter): Vatican newspaper "Observatore Romano" declared today that Dr. Klaus Fuchs should be allowed to work for science in prison "in the interests of humanity."

The article was entitled "We need you, Dr. Fuchs."

It suggested that if Fuchs had really repented of his spying he ought now to apply his scientific knowledge to some discovery useful to mankind during his 14 years of prison.

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The Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, has called on Indian Big Business to measure their actions by the yardstick of the economic objective outlined in the preamble of the Constitution and orientate their outlook and policy to suit the changed requirements in this country and abroad.

In other words, they should change their own requirements.

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The Prime Minister asked whether the business community was justified in demanding removal of controls in the face of the crises, which some of their men recently created in cloth and sugar.

The "answer" was given at the conference both before and after the Prime Minister's address.

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In a statement to the Press, Seth Dalmia advocates the formation of a broad-based central cabinet with the best men available in the country represented on it, irrespective of party considerations—men of vision, independence and practical experience.

All right, all right, we won't tell you. As you say, you can guess the list quite correctly.

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"Past services and jail record," Seth Dalmia emphasised, "should no longer be the criterion for appointments to such places of responsibility."

Quite, quite. We understand. The contrary too.

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The Government of Pakistan are reported to be protesting to the Government of India on the renewed influx of Muslim refugees from India into Western Pakistan.

Naturally. The Government of Pakistan must say something even though they have to say something out of nothing.

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The East Bengal Government stated today that it had received no note from the Government of India asking the East Bengal Government to arrange for the safe travel of Indian citizens and Pakistani Hindus who wished to leave for India.

—Dacca Report.

Being a loyal Provincial Government of the Central Government of Pakistan, the Government of East Bengal, would receive the Indian Note a couple of weeks after it had been delivered at Dacca.

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GENEVA: Nationalist China has withdrawn from the important 1947 General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt). Her decision was communicated to the 23 Gatt signatories here now in a telegram from Mr. Trygve Lie, United Nations General Secretary.—P.T.I.-Reuter.

A smart, timely, anticipatory counter-move.

Mind Of Maharashtra

By: Observer

THERE is satisfaction in proverbially poverty stricken Maharashtra over the fact that we will be spared the imposition of new taxes. There is also happiness over the solution of doubts raised, regarding the Bombay Government's ability to continue rationing in those areas to which it had been extended. Towns over five thousand in population enjoy this benefit

However, defective and sometimes absurd, may be the operation of the rationing system in rural areas, on the whole it has been a check to black marketing. Nor is there any need now to hold the grievance that officialdom favours urban areas in the quality of the ration supplied to the detriment and discontent of the village population.

The Commissioner for Food in the Central Government may give us one set of figures, our Minister of Supplies may provide us with another set, but the fact remains, that even with the amount of levy gathered by government and willingly paid in by the cultivators, in Central Maharashtra at least and in portions of Southern Maharashtra, there will be an acute shortage of supplies, unless due care is taken to avoid the calamity.

Adequate storing arrangements are of great urgency and importance to the cultivator and particularly to the inhabitants of small town areas who become angry because that the authorities will not allow them to store more food or store it themselves in such a way that it would not rot. According to one unconfirmed report the neglect of proper storing arrangement cost the Government of Bombay last year three lakhs of rupees. In some districts the total amount of storage at present varies from six thousand to nine thousand tons. There does not seem to be any co-ordinated attempted to get rid of the corn stored months ago when the new levy comes in.

A VERBAL war has broken out between one of the most learned of our political divines and one of Maharashtra's active politicians, no less a person than the President of Maharashtra Provincial Congress Committee.

Certain remarks of Acharya Javadekar relating to the past career, present intentions and future hopes of certain individuals who are regarded as having sacrificed themselves for the Congress cause in south Satara have given umbrage to prominent Congressmen in Central Maharashtra. Mr. Hire voiced this resentment. In view of conditions in dacoity-ridden South Satara and the erratic attitude of those in the district who ought to know better and help the authorities to put down these disorders, realist-politicians in Maharashtra think that the verbal war should end now, and a concerted attempt should be made to grow more food as also to educate the large number of illiterate masses in the value of the vote. It is an advice not likely to be acted upon, as yet. But the authorities, concerned with law and order, must note that dacoity as a profession is now widening its orbit. It has affected four more districts. This is evident from the bitter complaints of those who suffer, not primarily to the authorities but to the local press of towns like Karad, Sholapur, Nagar and Dhulia. One realises the difficulty of the administration with its inadequate police force and the paucity of Home Guards whose training in certain places remains lamentably poor. In other places some Home Guards come to believe that they are a police force themselves and begin to behave as such. This leads not only to confusion but to disastrous results, in the investigation of crime and the maintenance of smoothness in administrative work.

The number of educated young men in Maharashtra who want to chalk out a career in industry for themselves grows rapidly. Generally they are men with a science degree. Naturally they think it a calamity that for want of a suitable opening they should be compelled to accept an appointment in the lowest division of clerkdom in the revenue department. It will be useful if, now that we are slowly progressing towards becoming a Welfare State, Government advised the Universities to keep a register of such men pointing out to them the benefit that will accrue to them, if they keep the University informed up-to-date how they are faring. Government can periodically try to absorb them in the various industrial schemes it proposes to finance. This move, I am informed, will be more popular than Labour Exchanges. As regards engineers no young man who is university-trained remains at present unemployed. But they are keen on finding out why in Maharashtra engineering projects long considered to be short-term ones are now to be set aside and put in the category of long term ones, with the result that the industrial potential of Maharashtra, expected to be available from irrigation and hydro-electric schemes regarded as only moderately costly and practical, will now suffer. Sometime ago a Manufacturers' Association in southern Maharashtra made some valuable suggestions to the Government. None of them is likely to be accepted if the policy envisaged in the radio talk recently given by the Minister of Public Works in the State of Bombay is allowed to be worked out without Maharashtra's protest. It is difficult to convince at least this part of this State that the Koyna valley scheme should be shelved while the Karakpara scheme will go head. At least one influential Congressman from Maharashtra had the foresight, as a legislator, to interpellate Government on this point.

MERE POST BOXES

It is rumoured that those highly paid jobs, the divisional commissionerships, will at last be retrenched. The popular press and representatives of the public in the old legislature, had been asking for this step for more than twenty-five years. It would have effected an annual saving to the Government of one lakh forty-four thousand rupees without impairing the quality of the administration. The real reason of their retention was given to me by an old-timer, an Englishman, in the Indian Civil Service of those days. He was Commissioner of a Division and due to retire within a couple of years. As week-end guests in his camp in a lovely spot in an inaccessible rural part of Maharashtra, his nephew, freshly arrived from England, and I discovered that he had twenty two servants, a royal arrangement of tenting equipment, while a number of Mamlatdars were ready at hand to wait upon him. An officer called the Native Assistant to the Commissioner always toured with him and heard revenue appeals. "Uncle" took us out for rides and said, "If I retire now I get only six hundred pounds a year as pension. If I manage to put in three years more I retire on eight hundred pounds. Don't you think these prize posts must remain." Auntie agreed with him!!

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Logic Of Reality

The other day there was a report from Washington to the following effect: "Persia was reported today to be ready to break ties with most of the Muslim world and grant limited diplomatic recognition to Israel. Informed diplomatic officials here said the Israeli Foreign Office had told several embassies in Teheran that it was awaiting such a decision...." Washington is the capital of the chief patron and creator of Israel. News emanating from Washington, therefore, may be accepted as largely authentic. Moreover, the logic of reality renders such a move as quite likely. Israel is a settled fact, and a fact that is backed by both of the two biggest world powers, the United States and the Soviet Union cannot, whatever its moral justification or rather lack of it, easily be unsettled. That is not all. Small countries have perforce got to submit to such a powerfully backed fact. De facto recognition of Israel by most of the countries is inevitable. And it is by no means surprising that Iran should be contemplating such a move. But it is rather ironical that Iran's recognition of Israel should come when the Shah is visiting Pakistan.

Justified Criticism

The British delegate at the Geneva Sessions of the U N Trusteeship Council, Mr. John Fletcher-Cooke is angry with the Victorio Carpio, the Phillipines delegate, because the latter has persistently been attacking British Administration of the Trust territory of the Cameroons in Africa. Why Mr. Victorio Carpio should, as Mr. Fletcher-Cooke alleges, approach the matter "in a very prejudiced way" is not quite clear unless he is, say, an anti-British Philippino Communist. Mr Fletcher-Cooke does not go so far as that. Nor would it make sense that a delegate from the Philippines could be anything but a friend of the Anglo-American allies. Actually, Mr. Carpio's criticisms are not without justification. It is altogether a wrong principle to incorporate any trust territory with a colony even if ostensibly for administrative purposes alone. The integration of the Cameroons with Nigeria automatically provokes doubts and suspicions which are further strengthened by the existence of a British Cameroons Development Corporation. It may be that including taxes paid by the Corporation, the Nigerian Government is spending about twice as much in the trust territory as it is collecting there. But what is the extent of benefits—both immediate and long range—which the Corporation is deriving from the exploitation of the Cameroons? Mr. Fletcher-Cooke's argument doesn't answer Mr. Carpio's criticism. Mr. Fletcher-Cooke also resented the accusation that the British administration in the trust territory selected chiefs who would be subservient. The case of Seretse Khama, the Bechuanaland chieftain serves to deprive Mr. Fletcher-Cooke's repudiation of its impressiveness. That case conclusively proves a number of important things: the British authorities can and do exercise autocratic powers even to the extent of arbitrarily disposing of the rights and future of African chiefs and chieftains and secondly they do not allow defiance of or opposition to their will on the part of any chief. Mr. Carpio said no more than what the Seretse Khama affair has fully corroborated now.

Rope Them In!

Socialists might be somewhat embarrassed by the suggestion of Seth Ramkrishna Dalmia that "responsible parties like the Socialists" must be associated with the administration. But the advice is shrewd, if it is not cynical. This would not be the first time, if Socialists come into the Government, when power and responsibility have sobered politicians who tend to be somewhat flighty in their imagination when they are addressing mass meetings and criticising the party in power. As a matter of fact, the present Finance Minister had the reputation of having been a Socialist, and the Sardar referred to this when he was in the city at the time of the Port Trust Strike. Dr. Matthai, however, once confessed in Parliament, that after having been in the Government for some time, he would not be able to propound hereafter the financial theories which he did with such ease when he was a mere professor of economics. Power may not corrupt, as Bacon feared, but it certainly sobers the man in position especially when he is responsible to Parliament and ultimately to the electorate.

Leave The Cows

It is not, however, easy to understand why Seth Ramkrishna Dalmia should bring in the cows when he is discussing a question of national emergency. There is point in his saying that for a long time to come an agricultural country like India should garner its cattle wealth, and that tractors can only have a limited use, but will it help matters if a total ban on cow slaughter is imposed? India's cattle stock is, on the average, of a very low standard and every means must be adopted to improve it. Scientific breeding must have top priority, and in this matter, as in horse breeding, sentimentalism must be rigorously kept out. A horse is "destroyed", even though it might have cost thousands of rupees, the moment life becomes a burden to it. The same principle should apply in cattle breeding, and humanitarians can find better scope for their sympathy if they pool their resources for better up-bringing of young calves than by crusading for the preservation of decrepit animals to which death will be a salvation rather than an agony.

OUR READERS' VIEWS

Evacuee Property

While the Government of India are eager to settle the question of evacuee property on a "Governmental level" between the two countries, the Pakistan Government finding the suggestion inconvenient to them have put forward the excuse that it can only be decided on "individual basis". Hence a deadlock has arisen and there seems to be no immediate prospect of a solution.

Pending an agreed settlement of the complicated problem, the Pakistan Government have gone out of their way and have drastically cut down the evacuee property rents by 80 per cent in the case of refugee tenants and by 33.3 per cent in the case of others. The Government of India, on the other hand, are busy collecting the full rents as well as the arrears left behind by Muslim evacuees on behalf of the owners, thereby incurring liabilities in the eyes of both private and international laws quite disproportionate to those of the Pakistan Government.

The present disparity between the liabilities of the two Governments on the rent account, unless checked, will gradually wipe out the vast favourable margin that India has on the total capital valuation account of the properties. Besides at the time of settling accounts with the Pakistan Government, this will also present difficulties.

It is hoped that our veteran and highly experienced leaders at the helm of affairs will not allow this robbing by Pakistan Government to continue any more.

—DIWANI C. ADVANI.

Training The Young

Today's young men were brought up in the atmosphere of strikes and hartals. Sobering influence of the elders was conspicuous by its absence, as the parents had to fight the battle of winning the bread in cities single-handed, and allow the old persons to languish in villages. Modern homes are also suffering from the same defects and the younger children get very little opportunity to develop themselves on proper lines. It is, therefore, necessary that the intelligent persons should devote their spare time to attend the course conducted by the Montessori International in Bombay and plan pre-Primary schools in their own localities so that this generation at least will be taught to behave itself. The Government of Bombay should take steps to organise a special class for the temporary servants who are to be retrenched and guide them to secure a part time job that is really a constructive activity of national importance.

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Travelling Art Exhibition

A few paintings have been acquired from the 19th All India Art Exhibition now on view at the Exhibition Hall of the All-India Fine Arts & Crafts Society, Parliament Street, New Delhi. A panel of judges nominated by Art Organisations from Madras, U.P. and Delhi, made the selection on behalf of the All-India Fine Arts & Crafts Society, who is sponsoring the National Art Gallery and the Exhibition. Paintings selected so far, include among others the works of Sailoz Mookerjea of Calcutta, Somalal Shah of Bhavnagar, V. B. Smart of Bombay, B. N. Jijja of Lucknow and Nilima Dey of Calcutta. These paintings have been donated by Patrons of the Society.

This year's Exhibition has been acclaimed as one of the best so far held in this country of Modern Indian Paintings. On the invitations from Provincial Organisations, the collection will be taken by the end of March to different parts of India in the form of a Travelling Art Exhibition. Invitations have been received from Rampur, Patna, Allahabad, Nagpur, Ooty, Madras, Mysore, Travancore, Hyderabad, Ahmedabad, Baroda, Visnagar, Poona and Patiala.

The Exhibition in New Delhi has been extended until the 22nd March to enable larger number of Delhi public to see this unique collection between 9 and 11 a.m. and 1-30 and 8 p.m. daily".

—ANIL ROY CHOUDHURY.

Legal Profession

In the present set-up in India, it seems to be nobody's business to consider the status, position and interests of the legal profession. The Medical and Engineering professions, as well as persons engaged in commerce and trade in different commodities and several other classes of workers, have their Associations and Unions to watch their interest and take steps to advance the same, it is the legal profession only—who are advisers to all others—which does not look to its own interest.

It is not so in other countries. There is no Indian or even a Provincial Bar, as such. Ever since the Indian Legislature enacted the Bar Councils Act, 1926, the idea has been gaining strength that a United Bar should be created. The absence of an Indian or even a Provincial Bar, is placing the legal profession in the position of distinct disadvantage as compared with those of the Bars in other countries. This state of affairs requires to be remedied by the lawyers themselves.

There is, therefore, great need of organisation among lawyers. The formation of a Bar Association, in every court in the State, where a legal profession exists, is urgently called for. It is only such a body that can bring to the notice of the authorities, inter alia, the difficulties from which the profession suffers, its wants and its views on matters of court procedure and improvement in the administration of justice, etc.

Under these circumstances, it is desirable that Bar Associations, wherever they exist, should pass a resolution favouring the formation of a Bombay Provincial Bar Association, comprising all the Bars in the State. This will be of great help in bringing about the unity and organisation of the legal profession in the State. Several Bar Associations have already intimated their approval of the scheme and promised their co-operation. All remaining Bar Associations are invited to extend their support to the scheme as early as possible.

It is proposed to invite representatives of the Bar Associations to meet together, to consider taking further concerted action, including the formation of a Bombay Provincial Bar Association.

—N. N. PANDIA,
Jt. Honorary Secretary,
Bombay City Civil and Sessions Court Bar Association.

Bhagat Singh Anniversary

Nineteenth death Anniversary of Shahid Bhagat Singh is being celebrated with sanctity, solemnity, splendour, dignity, zeal and enthusiasm at his ancestral home Khatkar Kalan, in Tehsil Nawanshahr, Dist. Jullundur on 22nd and 23rd March, 1950. Congress leaders, Ministers, and revolutionary leaders are expected to grace the conference with their presence. A political symposium will also be held.

I earnestly request all nationalists, be they of any political views and convictions, to attend this conference. It is our duty to pay our homage to these martyrs who according to their own light served our country and made a substantial contribution to our struggle for freedom.

I also request Congress Committees and other political organisations, public bodies and the people of India to observe the day of execution of S. Bhagat Singh, Shri Raj Guru and Shri Sukh Deva viz., 23rd March with all the honour and glory it richly deserves.

—DR. SATYAPAL.

Not Too Late

It is said Britain is not a nation but a family. At the time of danger over their country they stand united leaving aside their party differences. Pakistan is playing part of our enemy always creating troubles and harassing minorities, our party differences and corruption indirectly help them, and create troubles in the way of our administration to solve such problems. Sudden disappearance of Mir Laik Ali from Hyderabad, thefts of ammunition from armouries etc., are the results. Government should take strictest measures to stop this corruption. If this is neglected, country's independence and safety will be in danger. Forget party differences and stand united in the interest of Motherland.

—V. C. S.

ODDITIES OF NATURE · BY CHUCK THORNDIKE

Pakistan Press Tactics Exposed

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ruary. I am not then surprised that the infection of the disease spread to East Bengal and Mr. Nurul Amin repeats the same story.

"Pakistan would be the last country from which I would claim immunity from misrepresentation and distortion In fact, my Calcutta speech has been so ineffective from my point of view that it did not claim in Pakistan the attention of the powers that be and the press that is not, for more than a month after it was delivered. Generally, I have been more fortunate in that my speeches have evoked attention from them next day after the speech is delivered.

"This time, it appears they were caught napping and took all that time to put their own sinister interpretation on that speech. The Pakistan Prime Minister was good enough to issue a statement on the 13th February in which he ascribed the Calcutta outbreak to "the nefarious plans of the Mahasabhaites, the R.S.S. and the Council for the Protection of Minorities" and was generous enough to leave me out. In fact he dismissed me with the comment "if the Prime Minister and the Deputy Prime Minister of India did not know of these plans and activities they must be singularly ill informed."

'NOAKHALI'

I need not say anything in defence of my Calcutta speech. It is there for anyone to read and form his own conclusions. That unashamed fabrication has been resorted to is clear from the following supposed quotation from my speech given by "Dawn's" Calcutta correspondent: "Bombs should not fall on your own policemen. They are the guardians of the freedom you have achieved with the blood of your men, women and children in Noakhali. Do not forget Noakhali. Do not forget that important limbs of your Mother India have been cut. Do not forget that your goal is not yet achieved and finally do not forget that you and your police have to fight with someone else."

Compare that with what was actually said. The only reference to Noakhali was when I traced historically the pangs and sorrows which Bengal had suffered. The reference to the police came when I was dealing with the menace of Communists and other anti-social elements. I quote the actual words I used whoch are representative of the burden of that part of my speech: "We have got used to calling the police bad names in the past. We have to change that mentality. The police which we maligned was different from the police which is serving you today. They are volunteers; they are bearing the burden of a great responsibility. You should have respect and sympathy for these guardians of law and order. If you do not, you will regret it."

"I need hardly comment on the manufacturing efficiency of the "Dawn" further. The Pakistan Prime Minister was more clever in his own way. He took sentences out of the context and pieced them together to make a plausible story, but went on to add: "Our information is that what he actually said was even more poisonous than the quotations that I have given you, and they were kept out of the press." I can only reciprocate the compliment which Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan paid me earlier, and say that he must have been "singularly ill-informed." Perhaps one of the "more poisonous quotations" to which he refers is the following which both he and the source of his inspiration alike have significantly omitted: "Anger or hate will not avail you. Our brothers, both Hindus and Muslims, have been separated from from us. All of us do wish that people on both sides of the frontier should prosper. But, for that both sides must be patient, brave and prudent. I shall make a present of this quotation to the 'Dawn', Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, Mr. Nurual Amin and their flock, whose unfortunate lot it is to listen to "their lean and flashy songs, grate on their scrannel pipes of wretched straw."

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REVISED PRICE OF SUGAR

THE REVISED wholesale and retail prices of sugar in the Bombay Rationed Area from March 12, 1950, have been fixed at Rs. 89/12/- per bag of 226 lbs. net (exclusive of Sales-tax) and Re. 0-6-9 per lb. (inclusive of Sales-Tax) respectively.

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THE GOVERNMENT of Bombay has published an Order in Part I of the Bombay Government Gazette Extraordinary dated the 10th March, 1950, amending further the Schedule to the Bombay Drugs Control Order, 1949. Copies of the Order can be obtained from the Government Book Depot, Charni Road, Bombay.

News BRIEFS

NAGPUR CORPORATION: The City of Nagpur Corporation Act and the City of Jubbulpore Corporation Act have been assented to by the Governor-General. It is expected that the Corporations in the two cities will come into being by June next.

SAURASHTRA BAN: The Saurashtra Government has banned the movement without permit of sweets containing cereals, oil or sugar outside the State but a person will be allowed to carry three pounds of sweet for his own use without a permit.

IRAN RULER: His Imperial Majesty the Shahenshan of Iran will address the members of the Pakistan Constituent Assembly on 15th March next, it is state in Karachi.

All cenosrship restrictions on telegrams to and from Syria have been cancelled, says a Telegrahps Notification.

A.C.B. FOR HYDERABAD: The Government of Hyderabad have under their active consideration a proposal to establish a new department to be called the "Anti-Corruption Department", it is learnt on Sunday.

The services of a senior officer of the Anti-Corruption Department of the Central Government will be lent to the Hyderabad Government, it is further learnt.

U. P. To Reduce Poppy Acreage

LUCKNOW, March 12 (U.P.I.): The Government of India have, it is authoritatively learnt, agreed to the suggested of the Uttar Pradesh Government for an over-all reduction by ten per cent in the acreage under poppy cultivation in the State. They have further agreed not to extend poppy cultivation in new districts and to give-up such cultivation in the districts under prohibition.

Food Deficit In Saurashtra

RAJKOT, March 12 (PTI): A Saurashtra Government Press Note said that the State needed seventy thousand tons of food grains this year to meet its deficit against which the Central Government have allotted only twentyfive thousand tons. The rest had to be procured from the State.

Plot Against Hirohito?

TOKYO, March 12 (PTI-Reuter): As Emperor Hirohito left Tokyo by train today for a royal tour of Sikuko Island, police were searching for 1,000 sticks of dynamite, stolen in what they believe to be a plot against the Emperor.

The dynamite, and some fuses, were stolen from a Government road-side dump on Friday.

LET THE BENGALS UNITE

Calcutta Leader's Appeal

CALCUTTA, March 12 (UPI): 'Re-union of the two Bengals is the only solution of the problem that faces us today," said Janab Zakariah, ex-Mayor of Calcutta presiding at a people's Parliament meeting held at the Princes Grand Hotel, on Saturday evening.

Janab Zakariah emphasised that re-union of the two Bengals must be achieved by the united efforts of Hindus and Moslem of both East and West Bengals. He said he had no doubt in his mind that Mother India could not remain divided and Bengal could not admit here division as a settled fact.

Tracing the past history of India, Janab Zakariah said that even the cruel Alauddin or the conservative Aurangazeb could not dare divide India. Nor did the universal Asoka or the Liberal Akbar favour division. The clever British divided the province of Bengal and declared it a settled fact but ultimately they had to yield to the people's will and unsettled the settled fact.

Therefore, if the people of India and Pakistan were again determined and fought unitedly with truth and sincerity of purpose as their arms and sacrifice as their religion the speaker was hopeful that Mother India could again be united in no distant date.

Cabinet-Making In Greece

ATHENS, March 12 (PTI-Reuter): Leaders of four Greek parties—Liberals, a dissident liberal group, Social Democrats and Republican Progressives—decided today to tell the King they were ready to form a coalition government.

This move, if approved by the King, would oust Constantn Tsaldaris' traditionally Royalist Populist Party, although it gained top place in last Sunday's general election.

Late Dr. Sinha

The ashes of late Dr. Sachchidananda Sinha, who passed away on March 6 last, have been brought to Allahabad for immerson in the Sangham. The immersion ceremony will be performed on Monday.

BETTERING LOT OF REFUGEE TENANTS

Punjab To Issue Ordinance

MOGA, March 12 (U.P.I.): An ordinance to better the lot of refugee tenants in the Punjab is likely to be issued soon, it is learnt.

The ordinance, it is further learnt, will be on the same lines on which a similar measure was taken by the Government of PEPSU recently. It will affect 61,947 families of refugee tenants.

Shri M. S. Randhawa, Director General, Rural Rehabilitation, Punjab has, it is reported, forwarded a memorandum to the Government of the Punjab in this respect recommending that these refugee tenants must be awarded the rights of ownership of lands as well as the 'shalamats' annexed to the village as soon as possible because the problem of their rehabilitation needs immediate solution.

Vatican Recognises Bao Dai

PARIS, March 12 (PTI-Reuter): The Vatican has recognised the three associated states of Indo-China—Viet Nam, Laos and Cambodia—the French Foreign Ministry announced today.

GAUHATI, March 12 (PTI): Seven hundred persons have been arrested by the local police in Goalpara District in connection with the recent disturbances in that District, according to an official spokesman.

The spokesman said that the situation in the Goalpara District was completely under control now and there had been no incidents since March 8. Police precautions including patrolling of the disturbed areas, however, continued.

Groundnut Export Banned

NEW DELHI, March 12.

The Government of India have reviewed the groundnut position in the country in the light of the latest estimates of the current crop and other relevant factors, and have come to the conclusion that in the present circumstances all further exports of groundnut kernels and groundnuts in shell should be prohibited.

"Shut out" cargoes of January shipment will, however, be allowed to go forward. Shippers concerned should immediately furnish to the export control authorities at the ports full particulars of such cargoes, says a Press Note issued by the Ministry of Commerce.

EAST BENGAL DAY

MOGA, March 12 (U.P.I.): The Punjab branch of the All India Society Party has decided to observe March 19 as the "East Bengal Day" throughout the State when resolutions asking the Government of India to adopt stern action in the matter of halting the atrocities in East Bengal should be passed. Instructions to district headquarters have been sent accordingly.

Leaguer Arrested On Dacoity Charge

(From Our Correspondent)

KARACHI, (By Air Mail): Prof. Inayatullah aged 50 years, an old Muslim League worker and former publicity Officer of the Punjab Public Relations Department, has been arrested by the special police in connection with the recent dacoity at a Lahore Bank in which one person was also killed.

MOGA, March 12 (UPI): Dr. P. S. Gill, Secretary of the India League of America is on his way to his homeland after 30 years stay abroad, according to a message received here.

Dr. Gill left Jersey last week.

Bright Future Ahead For Businessmen

MR. BIRLA'S CALL FOR HELP TO GOVERNMENT

NEW DELHI, March 12, (PTI).

THE annual session of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry today adopted the resolution State trading moved by Mr. R. G Saraiya yesterda

The resolution, which totally opposes "encroachments" of the State in the sphere of trade, was supported today by Mr. O. D. Jhemb (Calcutta), Mr. Puranik (Bombay), Mr. Agrawal (Delhi), Mr. Shanti Narayan (Kanpur), Mr. J. M. Rajput (Bombay) and Mr. G. A. Acharya (Mysore).

Mr. Puranik said: "Incentive to profit is the primary factor of man's enterprise".

Mr. Shanti Narayan said: "Almost all sections of public opinion seem to be opposed to State trading in any shape or form".

Mr. G. A. Acharya said that experiments in State trading in Provinces and States had proved a "miserable failure" but members of the Legislature and the public did not know it.

"We have to educate them that their money is being lost by incompetent men. What is the use of our addressing ourselves here in this Federation".

Mr. G. D. Birla, moving a resolution on the economic situation in the country, appealed to businessmen to expand their activities. He was confident that everyone, including businessmen, had a bright future before him in India if only he would take the opportunities offered to him.

Speaking extempore, Mr. Birla said: We have become unnecessarily pa cky. It is no use still being obsess with the Liaquat Ali Budget when the is neither the Liaquat Ali Budget t day nor Liaquat Ali in this countr But we have to how to the count that we are useful members of socie

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Contracts Of Gur Futures And Options

NEW DELHI, March 12.

"There appears to be some m apprehension regarding the scope the ban imposed by the Governme of India on February 15, 1950 on fo ward trading in gur, gur shankar a ran. The Order prescribes that person shall enter into any futures ntes commodities, or pay, or rece any margin in connection with a such futures and shall not enter in any option in these commodities. also states that any option in the also states that any option in the commodities entered into before t commencement of this Order and r maining to be performed, shall be vo within the meaning of the Indian Co tract Act, 1872, and shall not be e forceable by law," says a Press No issued by the Ministry of Agricultu

Check Pakistan's Aggressive Plans

DEMAND AT PUBLIC MEETING IN CITY

BOMBAY, Sunday.

DR. CHOITHRAM P. GIDWANI, President of the All India Refugees Association, urged the Government of India, to take immediate and firm action against Pakistan to protect the life, honour and property of 12 million Hindus in East Bengal, who were today undergoing unspeakable atrocities like arson, loot, murder and forcible conversion, etc.

Dr. Gidwani was presiding over a public meeting in Bombay today organised by the Sind Hindu Seva Samiti, to protest against the atrocities perpetrated on the minority Hindu community in East Bengal and to express sympathy with a suffering humanity.

Characterising these atrocities as a "continuous link in the chain" started by the Pakistan from the very day of Partition, Dr. Gidwani said that Pakistan, which was an Islamic theocratic State, was openly adopting all the possible aggressive methods to see that the Hindu community was driven away from Pakistan territory'. Having achieved their end in Western Pakistan and have usurped property worth 4 thousand crores of rupees, they have now turned their attention to Eastern Pakistan," he said.

Dr. Gidwani felt that although India could not refuse to receive with open arm any Hindus that came to India from Pakistan territory, it would in fact, be impossible for India to provide food and shelter to 12 million Hindus of Eastern Pakistan within the territory now forming part of India. "Such a large influx of population would create chaos in the country," he said.

He therefore, suggested that India should take some of the districts of East Bengal bordering West Bengal and settle down the Hindus of East Bengal.

Concluding, he reiterated his appeal to Government to take immediate action and solve this problem of minorities in Pakistan once and for all time. "Pakistan will not stop with East Bengal, but will go on with its aggressive designs and in pursuance of these designs they have already managed to send more than 5 lakhs Pakistanis to Assam to convert that majority Hindu province into a majority Muslim province. They will continue to grow more aggressive unless checked now and at once", he said.

RESOLUTION

A resolution condemning the atrocities perpetrated on the Hindus of East Bengal and expressing its sympathy with them was adopted at the meeting.

The meeting also urged the Government to adopt all possible methods to protect the lives of Hindus in East Bengal without any further loss of time, and to secure full compensation for the losses already sustained by them and for the proterties left by them.

By another resolution, the meeting requested the Government to demand adjoining districts of East Bengal for rehabilitation and resettlement of those who were forced to migrate.

SIR ROBERT TARGETT

KARACHI, March 12: Sir Robert Targett, former Director-General of Supply and Disposals in undivided India arrived here by a BOAC plane from London. He categorically denied that his visit here was for the purpose of serving as a liaison officer for the Pakistan Government with the British Industrial Mission.

MR. DEVEN SEN

CALCUTTA, March 12: Mr. Deven Sen, General Secretary of the Bengal Provincial National Trade Union Congress, will leave for Brussels tomorrow to attend the forthcoming meeting of the Emergency Committee of the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, an organisation formed last December in London.

The Emergency Committee consists of seven members and Mr. Sen is the only representative of all Asian countries in that Committee.

A STATEMENT by CALTEX (INDIA) LIMITED on the Petroleum Workmen's Union Strike

The following is a statement of the events which have led up to the present strike of the members of the Petroleum Workmen's Union :

The dispute is connected with Mr. G. Sundaram, an employee of Caltex (India) Ltd. and the offer to him, at his own request, of an alternative post in the company.

1. On 6th April, 1949, instructions were issued by Caltex (India) Ltd. that Mr. G. Sundaram should be transferred to Jubbulpore in his capacity of an Acting Sales Supervisor.

2. Mr. G. Sundaram placed before the company various reasons against the transfer.

3. The Caltex Employees Union then took up the case of his transfer with the Government Conciliation Officer.

4. The Conciliation Officer found no evidence of victimisation of Mr. G. Sundaram nor grounds for his not proceeding on this transfer.

5. Mr. Sundaram then submitted a medical certificate which stated that he could only undertake sedentary duties and could not tour.

6. Caltex (India) Ltd. then requested Mr. Sundaram to submit to a further medical examination, the results of which coincided with the previous report.

7. In view of this corroboration, Mr. Sundaram was granted six months' leave of absence in which to restore his health to enable him to undertake the duties of his new appointment.

8. In September 1949, before the expiry of this leave, Mr. Sundaram addressed the company asking if he could again undertake a sedentary occupation in the Bombay District Office. A Medical certificate supported his request.

9. The Company then asked for a second medical opinion. This report stated that Mr. Sundaram was physically fit to undertake normal duties once more,

10. In view of this opinion, Mr. Sundaram was instructed to report for duty on the 7th November, 1949. It was at the time pointed out to Mr. Sundaram that his future assignment of duties would be at the discretion of the management.

11. Mr. G. Sundaram duly reported for duty on 7th November, 1949.

12. On 14th November, 1949, Mr. Sundaram advised the company that, as an Acting Sales Supervisor, he was employed in a category exempted from Union membership. He asked that he should be given a permanent designation carrying full Union rights.

13. On 17th November, 1949, in response to this request, Mr. Sundaram was offered the alternative post of Sales Representative which involved no change in salary.

14. On 21st November, 1949, Mr. Sundaram advised the Company that he was only prepared to accept this assignment for Bombay City and Suburbs.

15. On 25th November, 1949, the Company advised Mr. Sundaram that the post was that of a Sales Representative in Jubbulpore as there were no vacancies for Sales Representatives in Bombay City and Suburbs.

16. On 9th December, 1949, Mr. Sundaram advised the Company that their offer was not acceptable primarily on medical grounds.

17. On the 6th January, 1950, Mr. G. Sundaram was examined by a Medical Board at the Company's request. On the 9th January, 1950, the Company advised Mr. Sundaram that this Medical Board had arrived at a unanimous agreement that he was medically fit for appointment as a Sales Representative, whose duties had been fully explained to the Board.

18. On the 10th January, 1950, Mr. G. Sundaram advised the company that he was unable to undertake the duties of a Sales Representative at Jubbulpore. He gave the following reasons for his inability :

(i) Medical grounds.
(ii) Family difficulties.
(iii) Alleged victimisation on account of his Union activities

19. On the 19th January, 1950, the Company offered Mr. Sundaram a further alternative post as a Senior Clerk in the Bombay District Office. This alternative post carried a lower salary. As Mr. Sundaram had refused the post of Sales Representative, this was the next senior post which it was possible for him to be offered.

20. On the 21st January, 1950, Mr. G Sundaram asked Caltex (India) Ltd. for clarification regarding the proposed assignment as a Senior Clerk in the following terms :

(i) *Question :* He requested confirmation that in the new assignment, he was not liable for transfer-up-country.

Answer : The Company confirmed that this was so subject to the exigencies of the Company's business.

(ii) *Question :* He further asked if his 1949 leave could be taken on the salary of Acting Sales Supervisor.

Answer : The Company agreed to this.

(iii) *Question :* He asked for confirmation regarding his rights for promotion as a Union member and stated that there should be no restriction of his promotion to any category above Union jurisdiction in the event of his ceasing to be a Union member.

Answer : The Company replied that this matter would be considered on its merits as and when the occasion arose.

(iv) *Question :* Mr. Sundaram stated that the post and salary were acceptable to him provided it was understood that this was without prejudice to his collective bargaining rights, so that he could have the benefit of any better grades-and-scales of pay established by collective bargaining.

Answer : As Mr. Sundaram's question presupposed a foreknowledge of the future which the management did not possess, it was impossible for the Company to pass any comment.

21. On 26th February, 1950, Mr. Sundaram advised the Company that the clarifications at items 4, 3 and 4 were unsatisfactory to his interests and that he was unable to agree to the terms for either alternative post of a Senior Clerk offered to him.

22. On 22nd February, 1950, Caltex (India) Ltd. informed Mr. G. Sundaram that as they had no further alternative non-supervisory post to offer him, he should give a definite acceptance or refusal of the Company's offer by midnight the 25th February, 1950.

23. On 25th February, 1950, Mr. Sundaram accepted appointment as a Senior Clerk in the Bombay District Office stating at the same time that the clarification offered by the Company at items 1, 3 & 4 (as per para 20 above) were not agreeable to him.

24. On 27th February, 1950, the facts of the case were recapitulated by the Company in the form of a written statement handed to Mr. G. Sundaram and he was asked to show cause why his services should not be terminated by the Company since the terms offered to him were not acceptable. Mr. Sundaram then reiterated that the terms were not acceptable to him.

25. In their letter of the 27th February, 1950, the Company stated that since the position of a Senior Clerk on the terms communicated to him were unacceptable, they regretted that they had no alternative left except to terminate Mr. G. Sundaram's services with the company effective noon 28th February, 1950.

26. After the above letter had been handed to Mr. G. Sundaram on the 28th February, 1950, he left the office accompanied by the majority of the employees; they have not yet returned to duty.

CALTEX (INDIA) LTD
11th March, 1950.

MAINTENANCE OF SUPPLIES :

Caltex (India) Ltd. wish to advise the public that every effort is being made to maintain normal supplies of all petroleum products, with the valuable assistance of executive, supervisory and clerical non-supervisory personnel.

Bombay Races

QUADRUPLES FOR TALIB AND KHEEM SINGH

Aman Wins Munshi Cup

BY OUR RACING CORRESPONDENT

BOMBAY, Sunday.

PUNTERS had a glorious day's racing at Mahaluxmi today when the second spring meeting was decided.

Winner picking was easy and facile victories permitted enthusiasts shout them long before passing the post.

Talib's quadruple through Agni Mani, Nava Ratna, Don't Be Silly and Dil-Ki-Bat was the outstanding feature of the day. Kheem Singh was astride three of Talib's winners and with fluent win early in the day on Bansivale, he also added four more winners to his credit. Talib's winners were three-year-old candidates and the manner in which they outstrode grown up horses makes plain that he has in training the best set of juveniles.

Aman scored half length victory in the day's chief event. the K. M. Munshi Cup. There was a keen struggle for supremacy at the critical stage for the minor places in which Serenade. Diniar and Jawahir were concerned and heads separated them when they placed as mentioned.

Today's pool event was solved by 133 punters and each ticket fetched Rs. 1.002.

The following are the results:—

THE MOOLTAN PLATE (Div. II)—6 Furlongs.
Maharaja of Morvi's AGNI MANI 9-3 Kheem Singh 1
Mr. J. R. Bhadani's SHERIBEEN 8-7 P. Khade 2
Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Wadia's KRISHNAKAMAL 8-7 S. Chavan 3
M/s. A. S. Motabhoy and Abu Hakimji Jasdanwalla's Madras 9-3 Purtusingh 4
Not run: Don't be Silly, Queenie, Air Hostess.
Won by 5l. 3/4l, 1/2l.
Time: 1 min. 17 1-5 secs.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 13. Places Rs. 11. Rs. 11 and Rs. 11
Winner trained by Talib.

THE WALKESHWAR PLATE—5 Furlongs.
Mr. Beharilal Dholandas's BANSI-WALE 8-12 Kheem Singh 1
Kumar Chiman Singh's ARRAK 8-12 Duffy 2
Lt. Col. and Mrs. N. D. Gandhy's TRIUPMH 8-12 Dar 3
M/s. A. S. Motabhoy and Hamza Ali's GALLANT MAN 8-12 Ali's Gallant Man 8-12 Purtusingh 4
Not run: Eremitage, Kaiyani, Kiyababa, Sajan, Ali Janab.
Won by 1 3/4l, 1 1/2l, Nk.
Time: 1 min. 3 secs.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 24, Places Rs. 11, Rs. 11 and Rs. 13.
Winner trained by Shivan.

THE QUARRYMAN PLATE (Div. III)—6 Furlongs.
Mrs. H. McQuade's SANTENELLA 7-8 Devaney 1
Maj. J. Steuart Graton and Mr. G. P. Durrantt's GIPSY LORE 8-0 Mohd. Yusuf 2
Rao Saheb D. K. Parker's PARKER PRINCE 8-3 Kadam 3
Mr. L. S. Shaskar's Chrissie Darling 8-10 I. Khan 4
Not run: Mimma.
Won by 1/2l, 1 1/2l, 2 1/2l.
Time: 1 min. 18 2-5 secs.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 55, Places Rs. 16, Rs. 14 and Rs. 20.
Winner trained by McQuade.

THE MOOLTAN PLATE (Div. I)—6 Furlongs.
Maharaja of Morvi's NAVA RATNA 9-3 Kheem Singh 1
Mr. J. R. Bhadani's GAY RADHA 8-7 Medhe 2
Lady Sherbanoo and Sir Sultan Chinoy's MODESTY II 9-3 Purtusingh 3
Mr. Jal M. Patel's Red Carnation 9-3 P. Khade 4
Not run: Mohabat, Flying Banner.
Won by 6 l, 2 1/2l, 2 1/4l.
Time: 1 min. 16 2-5 secs.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 27, Places Rs. 11, Rs. 16 and Rs. 14.
Winner trained by Talib.

THE K. M. MUNSHI CUP—1 Mile.
M/s. A. S. Motabhoy and S. Fazli's AMAN 8-6 Hanuman Singh .. 1
Miss Doreen Saulez's SERENADE 8-11 S. Chavan 2
Mr. A. H. Wadia's DINIAR 7-13 Roberts 3
Miss G. K. Mamajiwalla's Jawahir 8-4 Kheem Singh 4
Not run: Liberty Belle, Doorani.
Won by 1/2l, Hd., Hd.
Time: 1 min. 40 secs.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 87, Places Rs. 29, Rs. 31 and Rs. 16.
Winner trained by Moosa.

THE KAIRA PLATE—1 Mile 1 Fur.
Mr. H. C. Jehangir's MACK 8-1 S. Chavan 1
Mr. I. G. Gajjar's KOTIDHWAJ 7-12 Damodar 2
Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Wadia's RIVIERA 8-5 Kheem Singh .. 3
Mr. M. Shroff's Bihari 8-6 J. Bhosle 4
Not run: Panditji, Shah Fredoon.
Won by 1/2l, 1 1/2l, 1 3/4l.
Time. 1 min. 56 secs.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 65, Places Rs. 26. Rs. 26 and Rs. 36.
Winner trained by Rylands.

THE H. F. CHARD PLATE—6 Furs.
Mr. F. J. Guzdar's TISCO 8-9 S. Chavan 1
Mr. Syed Amjad Ali's SWEETIE SHAH 7-10 Antoo 2
Miss Doreen Saulez's MASQUERADE 9-2 Summer Singh ... 3
Mr. M. Shroff's Viveca 7-13 Medhe 4
Not run: Flying Dragon, Khundli, Flying Clipper.
Won by 2 1/4 l, Shd., Shd.
Time: 1 min. 15 4-5 secs.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 15, Places Rs. 11. Rs. 13 and Rs. 16.
Winner trained by Mistry.

THE QUARRYMAN PLATE (Div. II)—6 Furlongs.
M/s. A. H. Ahmedbhoy and Purshottam Jethabhai's DON'T BE SILLY 8-3 Antoo 1
Rao Saheb D. K. Parker's TIME BOMB 9-3 P. Khade 2
Mr. and Mrs. Sultan N. Dossa's BARA MULLA 8-12 I. Khan .. 3
Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Thadani's Mayfair Lady 7-9 Shaikh 4
Not run: Red Carnation, Tawaqui, Indiana, Suleman Baig, Madras, Montfort.
Won by 1 1/2l, 3/4l, Hd.
Time: 1 min. 16 4-5 secs.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 39, Places Rs. 20, Rs. 23 and Rs. 33.
Winner trained by Talib.

THE QUARRYMAN PLATE (Div. I)—6 Furlongs.
Mr. Chandulal's DIL-KI-BAT 9-0 Kheem Singh 1
M/s. G. Saul and H. R. Somekh's ROYAL GUARD 8-13 P. Khade 2
Rao Saheb D. K. Parker's BELLE AMIE 9-0 S. Chavan 3
Mr. P. B. Avasia's Honey Bunch 8-8 Medhe 4
Not run: Revel On, Bavaji, Cherry Blossom, Modesty II.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 17, Places Rs. 1, Rs. 11 and Rs. 11.
Winner trained by Talib.

VON CRAMM BEATEN BY DROBNY IN FINAL

Egyptian Lawn Tennis Championships

CAIRO, March 12 (PTI-Reuter): Jaroslav Drobny, self-exiled Czech lawn tennis star, today won the men's singles in the Egyptian Championships at the Gezira Club here.

Wtched by a capacity crowd of 6,000 Drobny beat Baron Gottfried Von Cramm, the former German Davis cup player, 8-6, 6-3. in the final.

Adrian Quist of Australia reached another final when he and Mrs. Patricia Todd of the United States beat John Harper (Australia) and Mrs. Bossi (Italy) 2—6, 6—2, 6—3 in a semi-final which produced some of the best tennis seen at the championships.

Phillipe Washer of Belgium and Miss "Gussie Moran" United States won the mixed doubles title. In the final, they defeated Adrian Guiet the Australian international and Mrs. Pat Todd ofthe United States—9—7, 6—2.

BERGMANN WINS T. T. TITLE

Middlesex Twins Cause A Major Surprise

LONDON, March 11 (PTI-Reuter).

Richard Bergmann, British holder of the men's world table tennis title, tonight won the English Open title for the fourth time in his career.

In the final he beat French International, Michael Haguenauer, 21-6, 13-21, 21-18, 21-18.

Both played a defensive game in a match which lasted an hour.

In the all American women's singles final Miss Mildred Shaihan of Boston scored a convincing win over Mrs. Reba Monness of New York by 21-5, 21-19, 21-17.

Another title to go overseas was the men's doubles won by Yugoslav's Z. DcLinar and V. Harangozo. In the final they defeated the Englishmen, Johnny Leach and Jack Carrington 14-21, 22-20, 21-12, 21-15.

Sixteen years old Middlesex twins Miss Diane and Miss Rosalind Rowe sprang the surprise of the championships by beating England's Corbillon Cup pair Miss Peggy Franks and Miss Dora Beregi in the final of the women's doubles after dropping the first set.

Rafeek Dina Wins In W. I. Snooker

BOMBAY, Sunday.

Rafeek Dina, in his match against P. C. Engineer in the Western India Snooker Championship which is being played at Islam Gymkhana, after losing the first farme to his rical, recovered well and won the subsequent three frames to win by three frames to one.

Rafeek Dina beat P. C. Enineer 26-53; 64-45; 62-34; 69-47.

In Billiards C. K. Vissanji was awarded a walk-over P. B. Commissariat who failed to turn up.

S. AFRICAN SPEEDWAY RIDER KILLED

JOHANNESBURG, March 11 (PTI-Reuter): Oscar Wessman, 27-year-old South African speedway rider, died here today following an accident on Monday when riding against the British Tourists in the final unofficial test. Wessman crashed into the safety fence during the match.

This is the first fatal acciden in South African Speedway Racing.

EAST PUNJAB HELD TO A DRAW BY CITY

Sparkling Hockey Witnessed In Invitation Tourney

(By Our Hockey Correspon dent)

EAST PUNJAB .. 0 BOMBAY CITY .. 0

East Punjab were held to a goalless draw by Bombay City in one of the fastest and cleanest games of hockey so far witnessed at the Cooperage. The visitors were figuring for the first time this season in the Invitation Hockey tournament and took quite some time to settle down.

Much of the frills that are combined in a game of hockey were subdued in a fast encounter where slight relaxation would result in a goal being scored. East Punjab had some glorious chances but their centre forward Mohan Singh was unable to shoot just straight.

Mention must this evening be made of the brilliant game of hockey that Middecoat played as pivot of the City team. He was remarkably cool and was found all over the field holding his side together right to the end.

Bombay City were not taking things lightly they were taking advantage of the failure of the Punjab side to settle down to ground conditions and both wingers Maxie Gardner and Gasper were able to send in some capital centres. George Ireland missed once by inches and Effie D'Souza failed to get hold of the ball close in otherwise he had only the goalie to beat.

Lynn was only tested in the fifteenth minute when the right outer Dalip Singh sent in a stiff shot from an acute angle. but it was saved confidently. Half time saw the score board blank.

On resumption East Punjab were on the offensive and two good chances were wasted. A penalty corner shot went wide of the post and then from a fine centre by the left outer Naranjan Singh but centre forward who was offside got hold of the ball in goalmouth and pushed it into goal but it went wide. Rynn was completely at the centre forwards mercy. However, the umpire failerd to detect Mohan Singh, the centre forward who was offside.

Mohan Singh was unable to beat Lynn in a last minute chance to score as he made a very feeble shot which Lynn managed to save luckily. As no result was arrived at extra time was played.

The first minutes of extra time were exciting and East Punjab's right outer ran through to a fine pass but his centre was wasted. City transferred play and Gardner ran down to centre but Joe Rodrigues and Gasper were unable to stop the ball.

The next minutes were rather dangerous for City and within a period of thirty seconds. Mohan Singh and Hardail Singh failed to get shoot straight with only the goalkeeper to beat.

The second session was a period with two corners, both short, in favour of Punjab. The City were lucky to avoid the first when two forwards tried to push the ball in from close up, and only saved at the expense of another corner, but this was penalized for cutting the ball. The match ended in a clean goalless draw. The replay takes place on Monday at 5-40 p.m.

BOMBAY CITY: Lynn; Alexander, Moses; Wakefield, Middlecoat, David; Gardner, Ireland, E. D'Souza, J Rodrigues, Gasper.

EAST PUNJAB: Khusdev Singh; Ajit Singh; Harbans Singh; Jamail Singh; Harjit Singh, Indar Singh. Harbax Singh; Mohan Singh, Hardail Singh, Narayan Singh.

In the Day's Sport

HOCKEY

Cooperage
5-40 p.m. East Punjab vs Bombay City (Replay-Invitation).

CRICKET

Parsee Gymkhana Ground
11 a.m. Times Shield "Senior" final Tata vs B.P.T.

BILLIARDS

Islam Gymkhana
6 p.m. P. J. Dossa vs J. Wood (Table No. 1) V. C. Mittra vs A J Bawa (Table No. 2).

SNOOKER

Islam Gymkhana
9 p.m. K. P. Pavree vs P. G. Date (Table No. 1). Mansur Laljee vs B. Hollinson (Table No. 2).

Club Cricket In Bombay

CENTURY BY TRIVEDI

BOMBAY, Sunday.

The following are the results of the friendly matches which were played today.

Fort Vijay Cricket Club beat United Karnatak Sports Club by 67 runs at Azad Maidan.

United Karnatak S.C.: — 97 for 10 Wkts. (S. M. Puthran 35, V. K. Salian 12; Manik 3 for 9 runs; Mehta 3 for 16). Fort Vijay C.C.:—164 for 10 Wkts. (M. Mehta 51, N. M. Asher 18, H. Andani 18, M. Solanki 17; D. D. Kanchan 3 for 44, H. Lokesh 2 for 2).

Hanuman Cricket Club drew with Kapadia XI at Azad Maidan.

Kapadia XI:—217 for 10 Wkts. (R. Chandrana 57, M. B. Mehta 44, K. C. Thanawalla 30, A. W. Haldankar 21; Daulatram 4 for 44, Shivji 2 for 31). Hanuman C.C.:—200 for 8 Wkts. (D. M Mehta not out 55, N. D. Jani 54 Daulatram 27; Dipchand 5 for 59. Thanawalla 2 for 25).

Jawahar Cricket Club beat Oza XI by 37 runs at Cross Maidan.

Oza XI:—58 for 10 Wkts. (Mahale 17; Dinkar 5 for 21, Ramu Thakkar 4 for 23). Jawahar C.C.:—95 for 10 Wkts. (Mahendra Vyas 28, Vaju Shah 21, Ramu Thakkar not out 13; Pithwa 4 for 10 runs, Ved 3 for 25).

Sunder Cricket Club (Junior) beat Ilansraj Morarji Public School (Andheri) by 35 Runs at Cross Maidan.

Sunder C.C.:—183 for 11 Wkts. (S. R. Irani retired 53, M R. Joshi retired 50, J. C. Jhaveri 47; Harshad Dalal 5 for 53, Lalit Patel 3 for 23). Hansraj Morarji Public School:—148 for 11 Wkts. (Mahendra Jagani not out 52, Lalit Patel 24; K. Toprani 4 for 11 runs, Joshi 3 for 31).

Premier Automobile Ltd. C.C. beat Construction Employee C.C. by 1 wkt. and 114 runs at Oval.

Construction Employees C.C.:—62 for 10 Wkts. (B. R. Mahatre 19; G. M Shah 3 for 8 runs, Kulkarni 3 for 15, Naik 2 for 23). Premier Automobile C.C.:—176 for 9 Wkts. (G. M. Shah 50, Rodricks not out 42; Shantikumar 4 for 35. Tarker 4 for 76, Sawant 2 for 26.

Deepak Cricket Club beat Mandvi Cricket Club "B" team by 36 Runs at Azad Maidan.

Deepak C.C. :— 145 for 10 Wkts. (P. B. Trivedi 102; L. S. Dharmshi 5 for 29, D. K. Mehta 4 for 53). Mandvi C. C. "B":—109 for 10 Wkts. (C. M. Shah 18, N. P. Khona not out 18; Trivedi 5 for 36, Nagda 2 for 14).

Shevakram Cricket Club beat Young XI C.C. by 73 runs at Oval.

Shevakram C.C.:—125 for 10 Wkts. (Gobind 32, Hagaremal 25; Tatnis 3 for 15). Young XI C.C.:—52 for 10 Wkts. (Shri 15; Hagaremal 7 for 24, Pawar 3 for 19).

Young Memons Association Sports Club beat Young Mohamedans Cricket Club by 85 runs at Oval.

Young Mohemedans C.C.:—57 for 10 Wkts. (Kazi 21; Habibkhan 5 for 26, Mahmood 3 for 6 runs, Yusuf 2 for 14). Young Memon Association S.C.: 142 for 10 Wkts. (Rajab 32; Kazi 4 for 32, Tanfique Hussein 5 for 70).

United Cricket Club beat Western India Cricket Club by 3 runs at Oval.

Western India C.C.: —68 for 10 Wkts. (Ibrahim 26, N. Aziz, 12; K. S. Merchant 9 for 27—including a Hat-Trick). United C.C.:—71 for 10 Wkts. (A. Kazi 18, Aziz 18; N. Aziz 5 for 31, Memon 2 for 8 runs, Jani 2 for 30).

TARDEO XI SCORE 244 FOR 3 WKTS.

United Parsee Association Cricket Tourament

BOMBAY, Saturday.

Tardeo XI, in their match against Bhiwandiwalla Sports Club in the United Parsee Association Cricket Tournament, batting first made 244 runs for loss of 3 wickets at the end of today's play. For this big total they should thank their batsmen who did not have any difficulty in facing the bowling of their rivals.

The match will be continued on the following Saturday.

TARDEO XI:—E. J. Billimoria b. K. Irani 43, H. M. Dadachanji c Nariman b K. Irani 61, G. Shroff batting 40, R. Dadachanji c. Bengali b J. Shastri 64, F. Peddar batting 26, Extras 10, TOTAL 244 for 3 Wkts.

BOWLING ANALYSIS:—K. B. Irani 12-1-55-21, D. Panthakey (Sr.) 7-0-25-0, D. B. Zack 5-1-20-0, J. Shastri 21-1-59-1, D. Panthakey (Jr.) 8-0-54-0. R. Mehta 2-0-3-0.

SHROFF'S SPARKLING 136 IN PASTAKIA CUP

BOMBAY, Sunday.

The Wellington Cricket Club, meeting their rival Kerrawalla Windsor Cricket Club in their semi-final match in Pastakia Cup Cricket Tournament, and making the first use of the wicket, piled up a huge total of 408 runs, and then got their opponents Kerrawalla Windsor C.C. out for 140 runs;—thus they entered the final by winning this match by 268 runs.

For this huge total of 408 runs the Wellington C.C. are indebted to S. L. Shroff who scored a sparkling 136 runs in 150 minutes.

Wellington C.C. beat Kerrawalla Windsor C.C. by 268 runs at Azad Maidan.

Wellington C.C.: 408 for 10 Wkts. (S. L. Shroff 136, F. P. Gandhi 52, H. D Korkhao 50, P. R. Dastoor 48, B E. Mistry 38, R. J. Ratnagar 32: D. S. Damania 3 for 21, Sethna 3 for 97, Daruwalia 3 for 68) Kerrawalla Windsor C. C.:—140 for 10 Wkts. (K. Peddar 53. B. B. Bharda 18. B F Cooper 15; P F. Pavri 5 for 33. Boman Mistry 4 for 46. A. J. Ratnagar 1 for 23).

BADMINTON AT RAJKOT

RAJKOT March 12 (PTI).—The Ghanshyam Badminton Shield tournament will commence here on March 20

The events in the tournament which is organised by the Saurashtra Sports Federation. will include men's singles. ladies singles. men's doubles, mixed doubles and ladies' doubles.

B. GOVADIA TAKES 7 WKTS. FOR 25 RUNS

Parsie Cyclists Enter Zoroastrian Final

BOMBAY, Sunday.

Parsee Cyclists Sports Club in their semi-final match against Navroz Cricket Club in Zoroastrian Cup Cricket Tournament, making 179 runs and then skittling out their opponents Navroz C. C. for a small total of 85, won their match and entered into the final.

Parsee Cyclists S.C. beat Navroz C.C. by 94 runs at Azad Maidan.

Parsee Cyclists S.C.—179 for 10 Wkts. (D. Bhadha not out 46, B. G. Govadia 41). Navroz C.C.—85 for 10 Wkts. (J. Vaid 32; B. Govadia 7 for 25, E. Billimoria 2 for 22).

In the second semi-final match between Young Parsee Sports Club and Esplanade Liberal Sports Club in the Zoroastrian Cup Cricket Tournament, no result could be obtained today as first innings of both the teams could not be completed and hence the match will be continued on the following Sunday.

Making first use of the wicket Young Parsee S.C. were all out for 174 runs In reply Esplanade Liberal S.C. had made 169 runs for loss of only two wickets when the stumps were drawn.

Young Parsee S.C.:—175 for 10 Wkts. (K. K. Irani 32, R. D Bangali 28, M. Khandhadia 23; Rusi Patel 4 for 40, Adi Captain 3 for 39, B. Daruwalla 2 for 57). Esplanade Liberals S. C.:—169 for 2 Wkts. (M. Pandey 75, S. Mody 23, K. Peddar batting 16, G. Patel batting 45).

HAYES CUP HOCKEY FOR WOMEN

BOMBAY, Sunday.

The Hayes Cup Hockey Tournament for women will commence on Saturday March 18 at the Cooperage Ground. Entries close on Thursday 16th March and may be sent to the Hon. Secretary B.P.H.A. C/o. B. K. Furtado and Sons, Dhobi Talao.

The Tommy Emar Gold Cup which is also a women's tournament will be held after the completion of the Aga Khan Hockey Tournament which commences on March 27.

Commonwealth Win Last Match Of Tour

VICTORY OBTAINED WITH SIX WKTS. IN HAND

BOMBAY March 12.

The Commonwealth Cricket Team won the last match of their tour at the Brabourne Stadium here today when they beat Raja Maharaj Singh's team by six wickets, the match ending half an hour before lunch.

Raja Maharaj Singh and S. Shinde added 31 more runs for the last wicket before the former gave Winston Place at silly midon an easy catch off Alley. The home team altogether batted for 220 minutes.

Requiring 112 runs for victory the Commonwealth Team lost their opening pair. Fred Freer and Jack Holt with only 19 runs on the board. But Harry Lambert and Frank Worrell in a 23-minute third wicket partnership took the score to 97 before the former in trying a big hit off Mankad missed the ball and was bowled Fitzmaurice went off the next ball but George Tribe stayed on till 111 and Ray Smith made the winning hit. the Visitors taking only about an hour for the required runs

Frank Worrell who remained unbeaten with 39 hit six fours during his 43 minutes today.

SCORE BOARD

RAJA MAHARAJ SINGH'S XII (First innings) 228

COMMONWEALTH XII (First Innings) 363

RAJA MAHARAJ SINGH'S XII (Second Innings)

Vinoo Mankad b Smith	43
Soboni lbw Alley	18
R. S. Modi lbw Tribe	20
Mushtaq Ali st Duckworth b Tribe	13
D. B Deodhar c Smith b Worrell	10
C. K Nayudu b Tribe	11
C. S Nayudu c Duckworth b Smith	9
P. R Umrigar lbw Tribe	33
Raja Maharaj Singh c Place b Alley	20
D. G Phadker st Duckworth b Holt	12
Bhide c Duckworth b Place	2
S. G Shinde not out	27
Extras	9
Total	246

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M	R	W.
D. Fitzmaurice	8	0	38	0
Lambert	4	0	12	0
Alley	6.5	0	14	2
G Pope	4	0	19	0
G. Tribe	10	0	45	4
Ray Smith	11	1	48	2
Frank Worrell	5	1	14	1
J. Holt	9	1	25	1
W Place	7	0	22	1

COMMONWEALTH (Second Innings)

F Freer c Bhide b Phadker	11
J F Holt lbw Phadker	1
F Worrell not out	39
Lambert b Mankad	56
Fitzmaurice c Mushtaq Ali b Mankad	0
G Tribe c Umrigar b Mankad	2
Ray Smith not out	4
Extras	2
Total (for 5 wkts.)	115

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O	M	R	W
Phadker	5	0	27	2
D R Modi	4	0	20	0
Vinoo Mankad	9	0	36	3
C S Nayudu	1	0	10	0
C R Worrell	11	0	16	0

REUTER'S CUP CRICKET

Supervisors Enter Final

BOMBAY, Sunday.

The semi-finals of the Reuters Cup cricket tournament annually conducted among various teams of the Telegraph Department was played today at the Cross Maidan. Engineering Supervisors beat Morse Section by 116 runs. The finals will be played next Sunday between Baudot and today's winners.

The following were the scores:—

ENGINEERING SUPERVISORS:—Mobedjina run out 18; Cole b Shahani 5; Gupte l.b.w. Jwarajani 68; C. Peters b Shahani 10; Frank D'Souza b Haslam 11; Patankar b Haslam 0; Nagarwalla not out 9, Dalvi run out 3; Parchure not out 8; E. Fernandes and Pannimangalan did not bat. Extras 24; Total (for 7 decl.) 156.

BOWLING ANSLYSIS:—Shahani 2 for 38; Jivrajani 3 for 22; Haslam 2 for 30.

MORSE SECTION:—Kothari b Gupte 7; Tellis c and b Patankar 1; Miranda b Gupte 8; Jivrajani b Patankar 4; Shahani c Dalvi b Patankar 0; Reilly c D'Souza b Gupte 6; Haslam c Peters b Gupte 10; Bhuse b Gupte 0; Bhendale l.b.w. Patankar 0; Gosavi b Patankar 0; Aluvandi not out 0. Extras 4; Total 40.

BOWLING ANALYSIS:—Gupte 5 for 13; Patankar 5 for 14.

INTER-INSURANCE FINAL

Mutual Register A Mammoth Score

D.R.KHER'S 152 IN GRAND TOTAL OF 424 RUNS

BOMBAY, Sunday.

BOMBAY MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY SPORTS CLUB, CONTINUING THEIR MATCH AGAINST ORIENTAL GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE SPORTS CLUB IN THE INTER-INSURANCE SHIELD CRICKET TOURNAMENT FINAL ADDING 213 RUNS MORE TO THEIR OVER-NIGHT SCORE OF 211 FOR 3 WICKETS ON THE SECOND DAY, WHICH TOOK THEIR TOTAL TO 424 RUNS IN THEIR FIRST INNINGS. IN REPLY TO THEIR RIVAL'S HUGE TOTAL ORIENTAL GOVERNMENT LIFE ASSURANCE SPORTS CLUB MADE 94 RUNS FOR LOSS OF THREE OF THEIR BATSMEN AT THE CLOSE OF PLAY.

Resuming their innings with the overnight total of 211 runs for 3 wickets Bombay Mutual made 424 runs before their last batsman was back in the pavilion. For this mammoth score Bombay Mutual should thank their batsmen S. K. Chavan 81, S. L. Patil 78, D. R. Kher 152, and V. P. Subnis 46.

S. L. Patil who was not out with 73 to his credit yesterday could add only 5 runs more to his individual score and was out for 78 at 222. Oriental once again claimed one more wicket cheaply when R. V. Rege was clean bowled by B. S. Shetty at 231. The sixth wicket partnership between D. R. Kher and V. P. Subnis realised valuable 141 runs and thus both of them further strengthened their side's position. But after losing their sixth wicket at 372 Bombay Mutual could add only 52 runs for the loss of 4 more wickets and their first innings was terminated at 424 in which D. R. Kher's contribution was a brilliant 152.

Oriental got the remaining 7 wickets for addition of 213 runs. Out of seven wickets which fell today, the credit for three wickets should go to Oriental's wicket-keeper J. Y. Desai who brilliantly stumped three Bombay Mutual's batsmen.

In reply to their opponents' total of 424, Oriental opened their innings through J. Y. Desai and S. S. Sambhare. Oriental had early shocks and made a bad start by losing their first wicket at 10 and second at total of 40 runs. The third wicket which fell at 79 added only 39 runs more. P D. Engineer and A. M. Mamsa took their side's total to 94 at the close of play and both are batting with 30 and 12 to their credit respectively.

The match will be continued tomorrow:

The following were the scores in detail:

BOMBAY MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY LTD. SPORTS CLUB (First Innings)

B. S. Tamhane lbw B. S. Chetty 5, T. S. Borker b B. S. Shetty 0, S. K. Chavan b A. M. Mamsa 81, S. L. Patil b S. S. Divekar 78, D. R Kher stumped J. Y. Desai b R. J. Gharat 152, R. V. Rege b B S. Shetty 5, V. P Sabnis stumped J. Y. Desai b R. J. Gharat 46, A G Bhonsle not out 29, M. R. Pai c N. J. Raut b A. M Mamsa 9, B. S. Mahajan stumped J. Y. Desai b R J. Gharat 1, B T. Thadani (Captain) b A M. Mamsa 1, Extras 17. TOTAL 424.

BOWLING ANALYSIS: — B S. Shetty 15-3-56-3, S. S. Divekar 14-3-53-1, V. S. Diwadkar 5-0-36-36-0, M. S. Bagli 23-1-62-0, R. J. Gharat 26-2-77-3, A. M. Mamsa 28-2-101-3, N. J. Raut 3-0-22-0.

ORIENTAL GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE SPORTS CLUB (First Innings)

J. Y. Desai lbw M. R. Pai 6, S. S. Sambhare c Tamhane b V. P. Sabnis 16, P. D. Engineer batting 30, R. S. Mhatre b M. R. Pai 20, A. M Mamsa batting 12, Extras 10, TOTAL 94 for loss of 3 Wkts.

BOWLING ANALYSIS:—M. R. Pai 7-3-11-2, D. R. Kher 4-2-5-0, S. L. Patil 15-0-36-0, V. P. Sabnis 13-2-28-1, A. L. Bhonsle 3-1-4-0.

RAJPUTANA HOCKEY SIDE FOR PROVINCIAL

AJMER, March 11 (PTI).

The Rajputana Hockey Association has selected the following team to represent Rajputana in the National Hockey Championship to be held at Bhopal from March 16.

Lee (Captain), B. Jones, Prakash, Ameer Khan, Gaunda Lal, John Samual, Santo Ram, Ram Chandra, Darshan Singh, Bhawani, Suraj Karan, Deen Dayal, K. P. Mehta, Gama and S. N. Bhatnagar.

Bombay Succumb To Madhya Pradesh

HOLDERS BEATEN BY TWO CLEAR GOALS IN WOMEN'S NATIONAL HOCKEY

BHOPAL, March 11. (PTI).

MADHYA PRADESH registered a meritorious two-zero victory over Bombay, the holders, in the semifinal of the women's section of the Inter-Provincial Hockey Tournament here today before a holiday crowd of over 5,000. It was a closely contested game and the superior combination and better understanding of Madhya Pradesh won the day. Both goals were scored after the interval and by Yvonne Smith.

Madhya Pradesh began timidly as the Bombay forwards made repeated attacks and would have been in arrears were it not for the splendid goalkeeping of teen-ager Verna Forde. They however gained confidence as the game progressed and reproducing the same standard that overwhelmed Delhi yesterday, carried the game to Bombay's half.

It was a ding-dong battle but soon after the interval Bombay made some promising moves which however ended in nought due to lack of cohesion among the forwards and the stalwart Madhya Pradesh defence.

Against the run of play Madhya Pradesh took the lead midway through the second half when inside-left Majorie D'Souza taking advantage of a lapse by Bombay's right back Sheila Fergusson dribbled to Yvone Smith who found the net. Five minutes later Madhya Pradesh consolidated their position, Yvonne Smith converting a short corner. A little before time Bombay custodian Mujoria Verdes brought off a spectacular save when Madhya Pradesh, taking advantage of an opening in the left flank, swooped on their goal

Madhya Pradesh were again well served by left back Ophelia D'Costa right-half, Sarah Devine and inside left Majorie D'Souza while right extreme Maureen Brown gave another outstanding display by her frequent deep thrusts down the wing and good centres For Bombay Eve Edwards, left back and centre half Rajkoff, were outstanding in the defence line while inside; left Arkilee showed clever stickwork and ball control.

HAPUR MARKETS

BEAR SELLING IN BULLION

Oilseeds Easy Due To Fresh Arrivals

(From Our Correspondent)

HAPUR, (By Mail).

Bullion: The market remained erratic, The steadier undertone in the beginning gave way to nervous unloadings and bear selling with prices breaking down. Shortage of the actual, fairly good off take, adverse political developments and bull's short coverings kept the market in good cheer with occasional spurts in prices.

But towards the end of the period under review bearish interpretation placed on reports of the Reserve Bank's holdings induced the bulls to right their overbought positions. Current prices are Silver 183/- gold 116/- against. 182/12 and 116/6 closed last week end. Highest during the week touched 185/7 and 117/4 and lowest 182/2 and 116/- respectively.

It is given out that the official stocks of silver with the Reserve Bank are estimated at 8,00,000,00 ounces of which 6,00,000,00 ounces represent unsold lend — lease silver. It is not known if and when the Bank would offer silver for sale. The gold market remained depressed as smuggled stock is believed to be pretty heavy.

Bardana: The market remained very quiet and prices were almost stationary. There is very little ready stock. Calcutta reports of no business in manufactured goods. The U.P. Government propose to introduce a Jute Goods (Control) Bill, 1950 in the current session of the Legislature, providing for the appointment of a Jute Controller for the State with powers to control production, supply and distribution of jute goods. Current prices in the local market are: chet 122/8 March 141/-.

Oils and Seeds: The markets remained slightly easier due to arrival of fresh seed crop in the eastern districts and an excellent crop outlook in the rest of the State where harvesting would be in full swing very shortly. Turnover is, however, very poor.

Oil prices have also reacted in sympathy with seeds. Local mills lie paralayed but elsewhere operations contine. It is learnt that the argemone problem is engaging U.P. Government attention and some legislation to prevent the admixture of seeds with argemone may be expected shortly. The latest quotations are: sarson 34/- taraseed 30/-, 28/- lahi 32/- groundnut 19/-, 22/- mustardoil 94/- linseed oil 66/- oilcake 13/4.

Gur: The ready market remained quiet and depressed Current prices are 20/- to 19/8. Highest touched during the week to 21/8. Jaggery powder quiet and depressed. Current prices are cause of which arrivals have increased. Hapur arrivals averaged 1,000 to 1,500 mds. There is little change of arrivals now increasing as the season is drawing to a close.

Hapur has already received 5,70,000 mds. of gur this season as against 3,65,000 mds. during the corresponding period last year and yet another 25,000 mds. may reach the market. Local stock is put at 25,000 mds.

Despatches through bullock and camel carts are confined to Delhi and East Punjab markets but the demand is rather indifferent. Advises from the deficit areas offer no big inducement for storage while loading restrictions remain rigorously enforced. Muzaffarnagar stock has reached 2-1/4 lakhs mds. figure.

A deputation on behalf of the Hapur Chamber of Commerce had waited on the Agricultural Ministry officials to press for the lifting of ban on forward dealings in gur. The impression gained in trade circles as a result of these talks is that there is little chance of such a suggestion being accepted in near future.

Foodgrains: The markets remained quiet during the week and prices have been trickling downwards. A common feature of the markets is slow arrivals of hoarded wheat as the rabi crop harvests come near. Crop report gave promise for increased wheat yield.

The State Government is making all out efforts to prevent further erosion of several thousands of acres of land by floods and heavy rains. Operations are in full swing in the Ethwah district.

The U.P. Government has changed its foodgrains procurement policy from compulsory levy into monopoly purchases. Purchases would now be made in surplus areas at prices fixed by the Government through trade channels. Movements of stock from surplus to deficit areas may also be ordered through trade channels. The procurement price of wheat is expected to be between 13/- and 15/- per md.

The pulses market remained quiet and depressed. In the forward section bulls were seen covering their over-bought positions. Ready trade and stock movement remained at standstill. Price movements in the jeth futures section were confined to a few annas

The latest quotations in the Hapur market are: wheat open market 19/-, rationed 16/- maize 15/8. bejhar 13/8, guwar 11/-, peas ready 13/8. jeth 15/9/6, arhar ready 13/-, jeth 13/10, urd 16/8 moong 17/-, and masoor 12/12 to 13/8. The latest stock position is: gram 55 barley 10 amd arhar 23 khatties.

The Lebanon has announced that it cannot accept Syria's proposal earlier this month for a total Customs Union between the two countries or total separation.

MOVE TO INCREASE EXPORTS OF CLOTH

BOMBAY, March 10.

The Patel Cotton & Co., Ltd., have issued the following weekly review:—

The Export quota of 800 million yards of cloth fixed for the current year having been nearly completed, the Export Advisory Committee has resolved to recommand exports of a further 150 million yards up to the end of September. To conserve yarn requirements for hand loom and power loom industry, the committee is understood to have resolved not to allow shipments of yarn below 20's, up to June next, at the end of which period pending applications for exports to hard currency will be considered.

The Deputy Chief Controller of Exports has permitted exports upto 10,000 bales of C.P. Oomra cotton to the British Raw Cotton Commission and have asked exporters to furnish particulars of sale along with proof of sale. In this connection, it would be interesting to note that Oomra Deshi kapas has not been ginned and pressed separatel any station, the same having been mixed with Jarilla.

It is rumoured that the British Raw Cotton Commission has already bought against this quota but no sales have yet been registered with the Export Trade Controller.

Kapas prices in the Broach market are firming up with the advancing season. Ahmedabad mills are reported to have gone in for some quantity and the general trade expectation of that centre inquiries for large quantity has kept back sellers. Other mill centres are comparatively quiet and purchasees reported recently are believed to be against sales made previously. Factories on the Surat line have also commenced working.

The decision of the millowners in the South to buy cotton in the Madras Province only at the ceiling price is likely to affect the price structure of the western crop owing to their share of purchases being large. If mills from other centres do not rush in to secure supplies from the small crop, prices can be expected to settle around the ceiling.

NEW YORK: Prices in the New York Cotton Market were pushed up early in the week to new seasonal highs on technical considerations and favourable developments in the coal dispute. Renewed liquidation in expectation of increased free market supplies owing to larger loan withdrawals and the new crops quoting considerable above the probable new crop loan ideas of 28½% caused a good recession.

Stocks entered into the loan till February 23 total 3,101,000 bales, of which withdrawals were 286,000 bales. 2,114,000 bales, were classified till January 31st and Middling and higher grades constituted roughly 25%, whereas Strict low Middling or equivalent grades were about 63%; low Middlings and lower grades were placed at slightly over 5 p.c. Most of the unclassified balance is held by co-operative associations.

The cotton acreage bill has passed through the Senate by 53 to 24 votes and will now go to conference. The result of the approval will be an increase of 600,000 to 800,000 acres in the target of 21,000,000 acres. The House of Representative, on the other hand, stands for increasing acreage by 1,400,000 acres. A compromise is expected to be reached between the Senate and the House.

ALEXANDRIA

The Egyptian Government have, after repeated official denials, raised the export tax on cotton to 4 Egyptian pounds from the existing 2 Egyptian pounds and on cotton waste to 3 Egyptian pounds. The increase will apply to the new crop. The trade has construed this bearishly and active Karnak months have lost about 2 to 2 1|2 talleries, whereas the new crop has lost about 4 talleries; the loss in the current ashmouni months is about 1 1|2 talleries but the same in the new crop exceeds more than 5 talleries. It would be interesting to note that October Ashmouni is 12 talleries below April Ashmouni.

PAKISTAN

We have received the following telegram from Karachi dated 9th inst.—

"Market looks healthier this week with good offtake by exporters, epecially against sales Far East and to less extent France and Continent. Arrivals this week 34,836 totalling since 1st September 797,726, Sales 44,192 Exports 19,853 of which 10,500 Russia via Dalny Hongkong 2360, Balance Continent, Total exports since 1st September 435,000".

PUNJAB'S EXPORTS TO PAKISTAN

SIMLA, March 12.

Goods amounting to Rs. 15,47,610 were exported to West Pakistan during the month of January through various land customs stations in Punjab, and imports to India from Pakistan amounted to Rs 27,090 and from Afghanistan were valued at Rs 22,04,767 Afghanistan did not take any of our export during the month under report.

The first place among export was taken by manufactured tobacco (Rs 3,21,600) followed by fresh fruits (Rs 2,95,600) and drugs and medicines (Rs 2,37,900) Imports from Afghanistan included dry fruits of the value of Rs 17,18,000 and fresh fruits of Rs. 4,42,300.

AMERICAN MARKETS

Cotton Opens Hesitantly

NEW YORK, March 11.

COTTON: The market was initially hesitant. Old crops then sagged on renewed liquidation of nearby March together with hedging and profit-taking in 1950 May and July attracted by yesterday's sharp recovery. The continued slack mill demand for spots and slowness of the cotton goods market tended to discourage buyers. New crops displayed steadiness early based on the outlook for decreased production but subsequently sagged in sympathy with nearbys. The session closed barely steady with sales estimated at 55,000 bales.

STOCKS STEADIER

Steadier tendencies in stocks developed but trading was cautious because of the week-end. Covering and reinstatement of long commitments brought a predominance of mostly fractional gains. Steels were mostly higher reflecting reports that many companies next week plan operating at levels close to those prevailing prior to the curtailment necessitated by coal shortages. Canadian Pacific was unchanged in mixed rails with the effect of the application by the Canadian railways for another freight rate increase apparently offset by resistance reported to the March first award. All averages finished with small gains. The session closed very steady.

CHICAGO GRAINS

Chicago grains were irregular on commission house selling of new crop wheat on reports of scattered light snowfall in sections of the South-West and forecast for additional moisture. Nearby wheat positions were supported on belief that there will be a fair amount of wheat moving out of Chicago to be applied against recent export sales. According to cash grain dealers, Chicago elevators loaded 63 carts of red wheat on Friday which might be against export business. Towards the close, all wheat deliveries advanced with the strength of nearby March on short covering imparting steadiness to other months.

WALL STREET

NEW YORK, March 11: Wall Sreet followed a cautious policy today with business moderate owing to the week-end considerations. Absence of any further selling pressure helped steadier tendencies and covering and replacement buying brought a predominance of mostly fractional gains.

Market started cautiously but buyers derived mild encouragement for evidence of no pressure to sell and mostly fractional gains subsequently were recorded. Among those were selected Aircrafts, Steels, Televisions, Motors, Chemicals and Utilities. Steels responded mildly to reports that many companies next week plan operating on levels close to those existing before the curtailments resulting from coal shortages.

Canadian Pacific among mixed rail group made little response to the application by Canadian Railroads for another freight rate boost—3.4 per cent—presumably because of the reported resistance to the award made on March 1.

Although never becoming active, market held interim gains and closed very steady with all averages slightly higher.

PUNJAB MARKETS

SIMLA, March 12.

No significant change in the prices of foodgrains during the week ending March 1, 1950, was reported as compared with the previous week, except that 'Jowar' showed an increase of As. 8 at Sonepat while Bajra went down by Re. 1 per maund at Hosiarpur. Price of 'mung' (unsplit) advanced by Re. 1 per maund at Ambala and Jullundur.

Price of Gur and Shakkar decreased approximately by Re. 1 per maund at Ambala and Jullundur while the chilly (dry) recorded a decrease of Rs. 5 per maund at Ambala. Sarson oil appreciated by Rs. 5 and Rs. 6 per maund at Moga and Ludhiana respectively, but the Sarson seed dropped by Re. 1 at Moga.

Prices of Cowhide (dry country) and sheep skins at Amritsar as compared with the previous week recorded a considerable increase.

Gold appreciated by Rs. 2-10 per tola and silver depreciated by Rs. 2-8 per 100 tolas at Amritsar as compared with corresponding day last week.

SCHEDULED BANKS IN PAKISTAN

(From Our Correspondent)

KARACHI, (By Air Mail).

Following is the statement of position of the Scheduled Banks in Pakistan, as on 24th Feb. 1950:—

(1) Demand Liabilities in Pakistan: (a) Borrowings from Banks Rs. 2,41,82,000; (b) Other Demand Liabilities Rs. 92,31,86,000.

(2) Time Liabilities in Pakistan: (a) Borrowings from Banks Rs. 2,000; (b) Other Time Liabilities Rs. 20,74,37,000.

(3) Cash in Pakistan: (a) Currency Notes of the Govt. of India and Bank Notes Rs 2,000: (b) Pakistan Notes Rs. 3,50,02,000; (c) India Rupee Coin Rs. 59,000; (d) Pakistan Rupee Coin Rs 6,33,000; (e) India Subsidiary Coin Rs 3,11,000; (f) Pakistan Subsidiary Coin Rs 1,54,000

(4) Balance with the State Bank: (a) Principal Office Rs 13,55,14,000: (b) Other Offices and Branches Rs 1,71,43,000.

(5) Advances in Pakistan Rs 14,98,000.

(6) Bills Discounted in Pakistan Rs. 2,03,35,000.

STATE TRADING HARMFUL

Commerce Federation Adopts Resolution

(Continued from page 5)

We have to change with the changing times".

TIME TO TAKE RISKS

Government Giving All Help

"We businessmen who have ventured our capital in the past have to give a lead. We are still moving in spheres free from risk. We want to take no risk. That was not the habit of our forefathers.

"We have to take risks. The future is very bright. Taxation has not only been reduced but for new concerns for some time to come, there will be practically no taxation. We have been given liberal allowances for depreciation and all that.

"You cannot expect better opportunities for starting new ventures. We have compared our taxation structure unfavourably with that of other countries, forgetting that in our country some concessions have been given which do not exist in others.

"Our Government is, no doubt, experienced but they do not understand much about economics and have made mistakes. All the same they have also corrected their mistakes. They have talked in the air but they are also talking in terms of realism. They are gradually realising the utility of businessmen. If you do not respond and do not do your task, then I fear it will be impossible for you to justify your positions."

FUTURE BRIGHT

Mr. Birla wanted businessmen to go back from the meeting with the feeling that the future of this country was very bright. Businessmen could make it even brighter by helping Government, "by educating our masters and by doing our own job" (cheers).

He was not ignoring the fact that there had been no improvement in total production and the economic situation was still bad but in the last five or six months there had been a great psychological change, especially in the minds of the investor.

"There had been tax reductions. Government realised that there was great room for economy in all the departments of administration. It was the policy of Government to reduce defence expenditure also as soon as conditions permitted. By reducing imports, external trade had been balanced

REALISM

"Last but not the least," said Mr. Birla, "Government are talking in terms of realism. They are not flying high up in the air and talking all sorts of imaginary things. They have begun to realise that gradualness is the only solution and salvation".

Stating that increased production was the only solution for the "very bad" economic condition today, Mr. Birla said: "Obviously, when people suffer, especially in respect of economic conditions, tempers rise. It breeds Communism and communalism. We have been turning out hundreds of thousands of graduates every year. How are you to find jobs for them.

"Then there are a large number of people who are migrating from Eastern Pakistan and settling down in Calcutta without any job, without any shelter, without clothes, without food. The only solution for all these is increased production.

MIDDLE CLASS MISERY

"Today the middle classes are practically wallowing in misery and agony Only through increased production can their condition improve. In the last seven years the labour and agricultural classes have been better off than the middle classes but still on account of the short supply of consumer goods, the average standard of living is definitely lower today than it was in 1945 or 1946.

"The solution again is increased production. In order to achieve increased production we need a united front to fight the menace of poverty. Unfortunately, if you read the speeches made from time to time in the Budget debates of Parliament, you get the impression that there is something wrong about co-operation in this country.

SINS IN NAME OF PRINCIPLES

No Use Mere Shouting

"In Parliament it appears people belonging to the same party throw mud at each other and when they are tired of throwing that mud at their own colleagues, they start throwing mud at the businessmen. Until there is mutual co-operation and unity of purpose, I do not believe there is any possibility of our solving our problem of increased production"

He did not agree with the Finance Minister, Dr. John Matthai, that slogans were sometimes useful. "Slogans gans are a weapon to clothe one's own shortcomings but in times of crisis they can be very dangerous."

To critics who spoke in the name of the common man, he would say: "Do not make the common man a new incarnation" It was characteristic of human beings to commit sins in the name of high principles. Even today in this country goats and animals were butchered in the name of goddesses

How could the common man benefit 'if we shout at each other in his name? What was essential was to come to a compromise on what was the good of the common man and how to achieve it. "Unless we can produce more for the common man, it is rubbish to talk about him'

NO REGIMENTATION

Mr. Gadgil, Minister for Works, Mines and Power, had said elsewhere that business had not played the game 'All that I would say", said Mr. Birla "is that this is not the view of the Finance Minister or the Prime Minister.

"I would ask Mr. Gadgil who has produced the clothes; who has made the country self-sufficient in respect of steel or cement or paper or any other commodity? I am sure we can produce more in future if only you give us the chance. It is very easy to criticise and talk and abuse but constructive work is a rather difficult task".

In other countries, including New Zealand, Australia and even in England, said Mr. Birla, the votes had shown that they wanted not regimentation but a more normal life. Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerjee, the Minister for Industry and Supply, had asked: "What about China?"

GIVE A CHANCE

Mr. Birla said: "Well, what about China? China is where she is today because of her politicians and not her businessmen. I am sure if China had as many industries as we hav ein this country, China would not have gone the way she has.

"People who talk loosely that India is likely to go the way of China do not realise that conditions here are different. We have a first class service a first class army and, say what you like, talented businessmen. If we have not been able to expand production, it is because we are bound hand and foot

"Give us a chance. There is too much regimentation. Today any fool can administer business because you only have to get directions from the Secretary. Almost every department of the Government of India today is being administered through the police. Police are attached to almost all the important departments and if your clerk makes a slight infringement of the law, the top man is liable to be prosecuted. There is absolutely no elbow room."

LABOUR LAW

Mr. Birla expected the Planning Commission to give a lead to the country. In the beginning the Commission did not inspire much confidence in him but when he saw the announcement of the names of the members, he was "inspired by some hope."

He hoped the Commission would among other things consider labour legislation and rationalisation. The labour law should be such as to eliminate differences between the employer and the employee and promote hard work.

What was happening in Bombay today was that half a dozen lawyers had to be consulted if there was any difference of opinion. "You cannot go to courts almost every day", he said. "You cannot simply all the time rely on your lawyers to work out your salvation. That is the surest way to idleness".

RATIONALISATION

As regards rationalisation, Mr. Birla said that it was only through the modern machine that full employment and prosperity could be created. Of course the charkha and the "Sarvodaya philosophy" could also create full employment but what would be the standard of wages if the people took to the charkha? Not more than four annas a day and even that was "very doubtful". People talked of unemployment in America forgetting that in this country perhaps 60 to 70 per cent of the population was unemployed.

He hoped Government for the Reserve Bank would expand credit in order to create more capital."

NO CO-OPERATION STILL

Wanted More Statistics

Mr. A. D. Shroff, the Bombay industrialist, seconding the resolution, said that the Government had begun to "gradually recognise the advice tendered by the businessmen summoned by it eighteen months ago" for adopting a "realistic approach" to economic problems.

But unfortunately there still was no co-operation between the different departments of the Government. Without this co-ordination, the incentives given to industry by Dr. John Matthai in his Budget might not prove very effective.

Welcoming the appointment of a Planning Commission, Mr. Shroff said that unless the country's economy was put on a planned basis "we cannot achieve much." The Commission should give the highest priority to the appointment of a statistical organisation on a "sound, scientific and intelligent basis". If policies of the Government had gone wrong in more than one direction, it was primarily due to lack of reliable data. The food problem was partly a "creation of our own."

He thought the data regarding food production, available with the Government was unreliable.

TOO MUCH FLIRTATION

Mr. Shroff severely criticised the working of the Industry and Supply Ministry whict he described as "over-energetic". During the last two or three years, he said, the Ministry had occupied itself with "too active flirtation with foreign manufacturers visiting Delhi".

Most of the time the officials of the Ministry spent in interviewing foreign maunfacturers "much to our chagrin" and no time was left to look into the problems of this country

"The gloomiest spot in our economy" said Mr. Shroff "is that ninety per cent of our miscellaneous industries are today in an extremely bad condition". He instanced the case of the machine tool industry and said that its problems had not been considered by the Ministry while it spent time considering possibilities of manufacturing synthetic petrol and heavy electrical equipment. "If there is unemployment I would not hesitate in laying the blame on the door of the Industry and Supply Ministry."

Referring to controls, Mr. Shroff said that in this country controls were "lopsided" and hindered rather than helped the attainment of objectives for which they were concieved. Citing the cases of the textile and vanaspati industries, Mr. Shroff said that the Government had by regulating the prices of finished material when the raw material was not available at controlled rates created an "impossible" situation. He did not see how the Government could harmonise its slogan of "increased production" with its demand for reduction of prices.

Mr. Shroff felt that it would be wrong to forecast a favourable balance of trade on the improvement effected during the last four months. "We must do our utmost to restore normal trade with Pakistan" he said.

If industry had to achieve the "social purpose" as stated by the Prime Minister, Mr. Shroff said, then the maximum effort must be put in obtaining the maximum output per unit of the installed capacity of the industry. Industrial management also should be "rationalised" to a large extent. He appealed to industrialists to adjust their "outlook" on equitable distribution of profits between capital and labour in keeping with the changing times.

CONFIDENCE

Mr. J. J. Kapadia (Bombay) supporting the resolution said that the confidence of the investing public must be restored by the business community .There were cases when new enterprises were floated with insufficient capital or inadequate management with the result that they had to close down or go into mortgage after two or three years.

The capital of the investors was also mortgaged. The business community should see to it that the intersets of the investors who were partners in a joint enterprise were "held as paramount and sacred".

The Federation passed the resolution unanimously after nine other speakers had spoken in support.

ECONOMIC SITUATION

The resoution on the economic situation states that "real improvement can take place only on the basis of larger production, industrial as well as agricultural, which alone, the Federation believes, can bring down the cost of living."

The resolution contains the following seven-point programme to achieve this end:—

1. Closer co-operation between Government, labour and industry and between the Central and State Governments.

2. There must be a renewed determination in all sections of the commpnity to work harder.

3. In all activities relating to production there needs to be a new awareness of the necessity for economy and speed, eliminating red-tapism as well as extravagance.

4. There must be a simplification of controls to ensure that they help and do not hinder production.

5. The tax structure and all legislation must induce incentive and promote greater production as well as greater contentment.

6. There must be increased opportunities for saving and promoting productive investment.

7. Encourage rationalisation of industry ,use of modern equipment and elimination of waste."

INDUSTRIAL PROJECTS

Proper Guidance Needed

The Federation passed the following resolutions:-

STATE ENTERPRISE: The Federation views with increasing alarm the tendency on the part of Government to embark on industrial ventures without adequate preliminary investigation and without proper guidance of experienced industrialists. The Federation must sound a note of warning against risking the tax-payers' money on projects which are not only beyond the competence of Government to undertake, but are also sponsored on ideological basis.

"The Federation, therefore, earnestly calls upon Government to have these projects thoroughly examined by experienced Indian technicians and industrialists, and in the event of their being fully satisfied with the economic soundness of these ventures to start them only in the form of statutory corporations. The Federation urges that these ventures, existing and proposed, should be run according to the accepted principles of commercial costing, as expected of private concerns. Moreover, their policy in regard to rates, etc., should not prejudice the interests of the consumers or the working of competitive units in the hands of private enterprise.

"The Federation also reiterates the view that such undertakings both owned by Central Government and the States should be placed under the same obligation to pay taxes to the Central Exchequer as any private undertaking".

COMPETITION

Mr. M. A. Master, mover, said that barring certain fields like the defence industries and industries in which it was difficult for private enterprise to enter, the rest should be left to private enterprise. State-owned enterprises should be taxed just as the private-owned ones: otherwise there would be unfair competition between the two.

Mr. Shroff, said Mr. Master, had said that Government were "flirting" with certain foreign manufacturers to establish industries in India. Mr. Master wanted to know whether there had been any "engagement" also

"We want to know," he said, "whether the Industry Ministry will take the industrialists of this country into confidence or not in this matter"

He was seconded by Mr Lakshmipat Singhania who wanted some businessmen to be taken on the Planning Commission.

The resolution on machinery for greater co-operation between Government and businessmen, moved by Mr. A. D. Shroff and seconded by Mr. M. A. Master (Bombay) said: "While the Federation desires to reiterate that the industrial and business community is anxious to actively co-operate with the Government in the formulation and implementation of measures affecting industry, trade and commerce, it puts on record its keen disappointment that the Constitution of the Republic of India does not provide any representation for Indian industry, trade and commerce in the Parliament of India. The Federation is emphatically of the opinion that, in order to ensure close and constructive co-operation between the Government and the representatives of Indian business, steps should now be taken to devise ways and means by which Government could be kept closely informed of the views of Indian industry, trade and commerce on matters affecting both the general economy of the country, and, in particular, of the specific interests concerned.

"The Federation, therefore, suggests that the Constitution of the various advisory committees and councils should be so revised as to make them more compact and representative of the interests concerned and that such business interests should be represented by persons nominated by the Federation.

"The Federation is further of the view that such advisory committees and councils should not be treated only as mere forums of public discussion, but that decisions reached at such meetings should receive the serious consideration of Government in order that the measures taken by Government may reflect the opinion of the interests affected by such measures.

The resolution on Vanaspati Industry, moved from the Chair: "The Federation views with concern the vacillating attitude which the Government of India have of late adopted towards the Vanaspati Industry—an industry which has largely been planned by Government and expanded with their active encouragement. The Federation notes with particular regret the restrictive measures and harassment to which this Industry has arbitrarily been subjected during the last three years and calls upon Government to put an end to the state of uncertainty into which he Industry has been thrown as a result of these measures.

"The Federation is of the view that since the nutritive value of Vanaspati has now been confirmed by the committee of scientists set up by Government to investigate it, and since Vanaspati meets the consumer's needs for a wholesome consistent fat without adversely affecting the Ghee Industry—which, in any case, does not adequately meet these needs—the Vanaspati Industry should be permitted to develop freely to the limits of the programme originally laid down by Government and urges Government to give it every facility to do so.

EVACUEE PROPERTY

The resolution on evacuee proprty, moved by Sir B. P. Singh Roy and seconded by Mr. Satya Paul Virmani (Amritsar):

"While appreciating the Government's assurance for the effective rehabilitation of the evacuees from Pakistan and the measures already taken to this end, the Federation believes that there is a good deal of scope for speeding up their rehabilitation in fruitful avocations and therefore, suggests that such impediments, administrative or otherwise which are standing in the way should be removed.

"The Federation calls upon every section of the community also to extend their fullest co-operation and assistance to the authorities in the task of rehabilitating the evacuees.

ONE-WAY TRAFFIC

"The Federation also views with concern the reluctance of the Pakistan Government even to discuss the question of evacuee property with a view to settle the question of compensation to the evacuees in both the countries and lends ith full support to the Government of India in whatever action they may deem proper to take to get this question solved at the earliest time. The Federation also urges upon the Government of India to take effective measures in order to stop the one way traffic that is going on at present in regard to the disposal of property of intending evacuees from the country and safeguard the legitimate interests of the intending evacuees on the other side of the borders"

All resolutions were passed unanimously

The session was adjourned later for the election of the new office bearers

'BE GOOD IN YOU OWN CONSCIENCE'

MADRAS, March 12 (PTI): Mr. C. Rajagopalachari today appealed to C. Rajagopalachari today appealed to the people to be good "in their own conscience".

That was the "highest politics" he could preach to the people of India today, he said.

Mr. Rajagopalachari was addressing a gathering at a party given in his "home-coming" by the Social Club, Thyagarayanagar, opened by him in 1936.

Thanking the Club members for the affectionate manner" in which they had welcomed him home, he said: "We must congratulate ourselves that we are enjoying so much peace in spite of every danger. If we are all of one mind, if we daily pray for peace, I am sure God will give us peace. Do not imagine that anything is better than peace. With peace we may be fairly certain that we shall enjoy an honourable career as a free nation".

"I want you all to be good people in your own conscience. This is the highest politics that I can preach to the people of India today", he said.

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Humane Methods For Crime Detection

MORARJI DESAI'S ADVICE TO POLICE OFFICERS

'MAKE TOTAL PROHIBITION A SUCCESS

BOMBAY, Sunday.

"THE third degree methods employed in the past for detection of crime cannot be used now and I am glad that our Police officers are conscious of this", said Mr. Morarji Desai, Minister for Home and Revenue, addressing the Conference of the Police Officers this morning at the Committee Room, Secretariat.

"This, however, does not mean that there should be any slackness in the work of detection of crimes. All crimes should be promptly investigated. We must find out necessary truthful and humane methods of investigating crimes for that purpose," added Mr. Desai.

The Conference was called primarily for discussing the work to be done by the Police Department in connection with Total Prohibition.

The Home Minister impressed upon the Police Officers that it was the duty of the Government servants, more than that of social or political workers to secure the cooperation of the people in the task of the Government. In the past, it was the tendency of the Government officers to close their doors against all those who criticised the Government. Now that we are free, that tendency should be given up. They should listen to the constructive criticism and secure the cooperation of all sections of the people.

PROHIBITION

He said that each Police Officer in each district or the area assigned to him should see that Prohibition was successfully enforced in his area and smuggling and illicit distillation of liquor was reduced to the barest minimum.

Directly addressing himself to the Police Officers, the Home Minister said, "If prohibition is made a success, your task in combating crime will also become easy. Many crimes come out of drink. Drink affects the intelligence, the health and the financial condition of the masses and there are many crimes which cannot be committed without drink. If we have to minimise the crimes in this State, we must enforce Total Prohibition.

"I would rather give up Government than encourage unscrupulous action. I can condone many things but not the adoption of untruthful methods in the detection and prevention of crime. We cannot go on using past methods of third degree. There have been a few cases, but, I am glad, that generally our Police Officers do not resort to these methods. These third degree methods employed in the past in detection of crime cannot be used now. To beat a person in order to extract any information from him or to use any other methods of violence for that purpose cannot be allowed in a democratic country because such methods are inhuman.

"This, however, does not mean that the work of detection of crimes should suffer. All crimes should be promptly and fully investigated and criminals brought to book. For that purpose, we must find out necessary truthful and humane methods of investigating crimes," said Mr. Desai and added that every possible protection should be given to those who give some information to the Police leading towards the detection of crime.

RETRENCHMENT

Mr. Desai referred to the policy of the Government in connection with retrenchment and said that there should be no retrenchment for the sake of retrenchment. However, it was his experience that more the men, the less the efficiency as every man would try to throw his work upon the other. If the Government was to be run for the benefit of the people and if every single pie that the common man paid through the taxes was to be properly utilised, the maximum work should be done with the minimum staff. He believed that efficiency lay in doing more work with less staff. The Government was considering the possibility of retrenchment from that view-point in all departments, including the Police.

Combating T.B. Menace

HEALTH MINISTRY'S PLANS

NEW DELHI, March 12 (PTI).

EXPANSION of existing hospitals, mass-scale B.C.G. vaccination programme and setting up of a housing factory in Delhi were the main feature of the activities of the Health Ministry of the Government of India during 1949.

A report of the Ministry's work during the year submitted to the Parliament estimated the one hundred million people are likely to be tuberculin negative in the country, needing vaccination. If at least eight per cent of these can be vaccinated during the course of the next five years and if succeeding generations can be continuously tested and vaccinated, then in about 15 to 20 years time, it may be possible to note a reduction in tuberculosis morbidity and mortality from 500,000 to 100,000.

The report expects that about 200 teams, each consisting of three trained persons and other necessary staff engaged in the task, might be able to accomplish this result in above five to seven years time.

At present foreign teams are working in six different centres in India carrying out mass vaccinations and training a large number of Indian teams. These teams will work till the end of March 1950 and it is expected that by that time about 60 Indian teams would be trained and 500,000 persons tested and vaccinated.

Budget estimates for the current year have provided Rs. 4,18,000 for mass B.C.G. vaccination programme of the Ministry and a scheme to be financed by joint enterprise envisage shares of the centres and States as follows:

	1950/51	1951/52	1952/53.
Centre	4,18,000	1,65,200	1,67,100
States	9,41,500	18,65,200	28,07,300

The total budget grant last year for the Ministry, which is responsible only for the subjects in the Union List, was originally Rs. 2.61 crores. Subsequently, however, the financial stringency necessitated a review and Rs. 12 lakhs was saved from the allotment.

OTHER MEASURES

In the Centrally administered areas, which are a direct responsibility of the Ministry, apart from reorganisation of hospitals, additional medical relief and sanitation facilities were extended during the year.

The Housing Department of the Ministry dealt with more than 74,000 Technical Enquiries and rendered help from the provision of more than 8,000 houses for displaced persons in the Centrally administered areas. The main activities of the Department centered round the establishment of a housing factory at Delhi which is nearing completion.

POSTAL STRIKE IN PAKISTAN

LAHORE, March 12 (UPI): A crowded meeting of the Council of Action, Posts and Telegraphs Federation, unanimously reaffirmed their previous decision to give effect to their strike notice on the night of March 16-17. As a consequence, no telegraphic messages or ordinary mail will be sent or received throughout the whole of Pakistan.

BABY SNATCHED FROM DEATH'S HANDS

PATNA, March 11 (UPI).

DR. CHINTA HARAN PRASAD has successed in dramatically saving the life of a newly-born child in the Patna General Hospital by sucking out and then replacing ninety per cent of its blood, thus overcoming a fatal condition known as "Erythroplastosis Foetalis" which is a mysterious disease discovered only recently.

The disease arises due to some discrepancies between the blood of the father and the mother and leads to the deaths of the child within a few hours of its birth.

Four previous babies born to one Mrs. Mishra had all died within a few hours after birth. Dr. Chinta Haran Prasad established the presence of this disease several days before the birth of her child and made necessary arrangements to completely change the blood of the baby as soon as it was born. Within a few hours, after it was born, the baby was rushed to the hospital and ninety per cent of its blood was drained out and suitable type blood was transfused.

This is said to be first successful operation of its kind in India and specialists here are of the opinion that the baby will survive.

Dr. Chinta Haran Prasad has recently returned from England having secured a diploma in clinical pathology.

PAK-AFGHAN PEACE

Representations To King Zahir

CAIRO, March 12 (PTI-Reuter): King Mohamed Zahir of Afghanistan, now on a State visit to Egypt, has been asked by the Islamic Unity League to intervene in the Pakistan-Afghanistan border dispute. He gave a non-Committal reply.

The King told a deputation headed by the United League President Mohamed Alluba Pasha, retiring Egyptian Ambassador to Karachi, that "as a monarch all my attention is centred on Muslim affairs and as a Muslim I am very happy to see friendship prevailing between Afghanistan and Pakistan".

A memorandum from the League handed to the King said that Muslim countries should seek to settle their differences among themselves in accordance with Islamic principles.

"The Islamic Unity League hopes that the King's wisdom will solve this dispute", it added.

HARD BOARDS FROM TREE BARKS

NEW DELHI, March 12 (PTI): Tree barks, now going waste, may be made into hard boards, according to the Dehra Dun Institute of Forest Research.

Experiments on sal and eucalyptus barks at the Institute have so far yielded satisfactory results.

Further experiments are in progress on barks which constitute between six to nine per cent of the total weight of logs.

Active Help To Government

R. S. S. CALL TO ITS MEMBERS

NAGPUR, March 12 (UPI).

A meeting of the elected delegates constituting the Akhil Bharatiya Pratinidhi Sabha in pursuance of the Constitution of the R.S.S. was held here today.

The meeting, after having considered the tragic situation in East Bengal, has passed a resolution appealing to all the citizens of Bharat in general and the members of the R.S.S. in particular to extend active and intelligent co-operation to all the measures that may be adopted by the State of Bharat, not only for the maintenance of peace and assistance to the unfortunate victims of Pakistan atrocities, but also to all measures that have to be adopted to meet the menace created by Pakistan.

NATIONALITY

The meeting felt that in spite of the unfortunate acceptance of the Partition of the Motherland, the Hindus in Pakistan had not lost and could not lose their nationality and were consequently entitled to every protection and relief from the State of Bharat.

The meeting further resolved that the R.S.S. members throughout the country should make efforts for the relief of the victims by raising funds and supplying volunteers and by any other means wherever and whenever necessary and to make a compelling appeal to the Government to take swift action envisaged in the public statement issued on March 7, by Shri N. S. Golwalwar, Sarsangha Chalak of the R.S.S.

GREATER ATTENTION TO FOODGRAINS STORAGE

Centre's 4-Point Directive To State Governments

NEW DELHI, March 12 (PTI):

EMPHASISING the importance of conserving foodgrains by greater attention to the problem of storage, the Central Ministry of Food has circularised to all State Governments in the Union, a four-point plan.

This envisages (1) a survey of all godowns used for foodgrains storage with a view to determining their suitability (2) construction of additional storage accommodation (3) rejecting unsuitable godowns, hiring more suitable ones, and improving the existing godowns and (4) appintment of technical staff to carry out a fortnightly examination of stocks and to adopt preventive and remedial measures.

In view of the Government's decision to stop imports of foodgrains by the end of 1951, the problem of storage has to be placed in the forefront of the programme of work in every State. As the first essential requirement for good storage is suitable buildings, it has been suggested that properly designed new structures should be built to the maximum extent possible. Where this is not possible, existing buildings should be improved and more suitable godowns should be rented. By supplying essential building materials, it may also be possible to encourage private enterprise or trade to build godowns of approved design.

Realising that good godowns by themselves cannot prevent infestation of foodgrains, the Central Food Ministry, has been issuing from time to time, advisory notes on the use of various methods for preventing and checking deterioration of foodgrains. Improved methods of pest control are being followed in grain depots under the control of the Central Government and in some States Government downs, where technical organisations have been set up.

The following assistance by the Central Ministry of Food has been promised to State Governments:

(1) Training of personnel in proper methods of grain conservation (2) suggestions for suitable types of structure for bulk and bag storage, (3) arrangements for supplies of fumigants incesticides and equipment, (4) sending their officers for organising storage and the demonstration of methods for insect and rat control, and (5) securing essential building materials.

CURTAILING PRODUCTION OF ELECTRIC LAMPS

Industry Ministry Goes Against Declared Policy

(BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

NEW DELHI, March 12.

THE policy of the Industry Ministry and its implementation still remains a paradox, according to Lobbies. An allround increase in production is the declared policy of the Industry Ministry. Working Committees have set up for a number of industries and targets for production have been fixed.

Side by side comes the report that the Ministry intends to curtail production of Electric Lamps, to cite one instance. Electric lamps industry is a very small industry with five factories, three in West Bengal, one in Bombay and one in Bihar. The productive capital employed is over 32 lakhs of rupees —over six lakhs of rupees per factory. The industry employs over 800 persons.

The value added by manufacture is 8¼ lakhs of rupees or nearly 1¼ lakhs of rupees per factory, over a thousand rupees per person employed and nine annas per man-hour. Employers receive 88% of the value added as salaries, wages and other benefits. The average amount received by a worker as wages and other benefits is Rs. 2-8. The installed capacity of these five factories is 1,80,00,000 lamps a year.

Following are the figures of physical output of lamps:—

1947 76,20,000, 1948 92,46,350, 1949 January 9,89,117, February 10,83,813, March 11,82,228, April 9,81,155, May 11,49,630, June 10,90,634, July 10,23,754, August 11,95,082, September 11,01,439, October 10,82,816. November 13,66,882, December 14,09,327.

STAGGERING

Enquiries reveal that, at least, two non-Bengal factories have a tie-up with some foreign lamp manufacturers, whose trade marks with word "India" can be used by them. It is now proposed that the physical output of these factories should be staggered in order to accord proper protection to the 100% Indian undertakings.

A similar issue was raised in the cases of dry battery industry and Motorcar Battery industry. In the case of Dry Battery Industry, the Tariff Board reported that one of the factory was an entirely foreign concern, whose cost of production was lower to that of the other battery producers of India. The Tariff Board had recommended that the foreign manufacturers should print "made in India" on their labels. In the case of Motorcar Battery Industry, suggestion was made to stagger production of the foreign manufacturer.

The Government finally held that it gave protection to an industry as a whole and not to units of an industry. Reference was also made to the Prime Minister's Policy statement that there would be no discrimination against any foreigner, once he had been permitted to establish an industry in India.

The proposal of the Industry Ministry, it will be thus seen, is repugnant to both these decisions. In persuance of the Prime Minister's declaration, the semi-foreign manufacturers of electric lamps should not be discriminated against in order to protect certain units in that industry. And in persuance of the Government's decision, the three units of industry in West Bengal should not be accorded additional protection by cutting down the production of non-Bengal units.

It may be added that Government, in giving permission to expand their production capacity had made no reservations that their production would be curtailed at any time or they would be asked to trade under a specified label. The Government's decision may be made during the next week. The issue might be raised in the Union Parliament, it is learned from the Lobbies.

EXPORT OF HIGH GRADE RUBBER

Board To Approach Government

ERNAKULAM, March 12 (PTI): Indian Rubber Board, which has been meeting at Wellingdon Island (Cochin) took into account the offtake before the end of March, assured by the manufacturer's representatives.

The Board decided to approach the Government of India for permission to export 500 tons of high grade (groups one and four) rubber, in addition to the quantity of 500 tons of high grade rubber recently allowed for export by the Government of India.

RETURN GIFT TO NEHRU

TOKYO, March 12 (P.T.I.-Reuter): Japanese toy craftsmen have designed a clock-work animal orchestra playing "Oh Susanna" to give to Indian Prime Minster, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, in return for the cow-elephant "Indira" he presented to the Tokyo zoo.

When the silk-hatted monkey lifts its baton, the bear plays the fiddle, the giraffe strikes the tambourine, the elephant beats the drum and "Oh Susanna" comes forth.

France Wants Peace

BAO DAI'S EFFORTS BLESSED

SAIGON, March 12 (PTI-Reuter): The French High Commissioner in Indo-China, M. Leon Pignon said here today France would "favour any move" to hasten the end of the Franco-Viet Minh war, but would first demand formal guarantees.

Pignon told a press conference: "If Bao Dai (Head of Viet Nam Government) decides to negotiate with Viet Minh (Annamese Autonomists led by Ho Chi-Minh) the French Government will follow his efforts with interests".

The conflict had "afflicted France deeply and had lasted too long", he declared.

Pignon added: "Withdrawal of French troops from Indo-China would be a terrible imprudence, inconceivable and contrary to commonsense.

"French troops do not constitute a menace to Viet Namese independence but are its real guarantee".

France he said, was satisfied with the results of the agreement signed in March 1949 between Bao Dai and the President of the French Republic, Vincent Auriol.

The Viet Namese people would be able to "pronounce their views in a democratic manner as soon as elections could serve a useful purpose.

"A general Viet Minh offensive would be short-lived, M. Pignon declared.

M. Pignon said France had no objection to direct economic aid from the United States to Viet Nam.

For military aid, however, a joint organisation would probably be formed by France, Viet Nam, Laos and Cambodia to decide priorities of allotment to sectors in urgent need and to control distribution.

Diplomatic sources here said American experts would probably be represented in such an organisation.

SERETSE KHAMA AFFAIR

Censure Move In Ceylon Parliament

COLOMBO, March 12 (PTI-Reuter): A member of the Ceylon Parliament has started a move in the House to get the Government to express "its disgust and loathing" at what he calls the British Government's "exhibition of colour prejudice" by banning Seretse Khama.

The M.P., Mr. T. P. Jayewardene who stands for Colombo South, is to ask the Prime Minister, Mr. D. S. Senanayake whether Ceylon approves of the British Government's ban.

Mr. Jayewardene says in his tabled question that the British action will "rouse the opposition of all coloured people against the Commonwealth."

IN A CHINA SHOP

By Taurus

THE two elephant babes which were to have gone to Washington by air as Pandit Jawaharlal's gift to the American Zoo, have stuck in Bombay. They seem to have gone up suddenly in weight which is all very mysterious. I think that it might be worth while to find out what America actually wanted and what it is getting. For instance, if it wants six-month old elephants and the two are a year older, then naturally the weight would differ. The Americans, I know, should not look a gift-elephant in the mouth but there is no help for it.

But my old friend, the Pessimistic Nationalist, is up on his hind legs. He recalls that there was some hitch about the wheat transaction between Pandit Jawaharlal and the Americans and vaguely suggests that transportation was a difficulty. So, he says, why not tell the U.S.A. to come and get its elephants? There may be many answers to that one but the most obvious seems to be that maybe we are anxious to present the elephants than the Americans are to receive them, which, if you get my meaning, was just the other way about with the wheat.

He has also some nasty cracks at the Prime Minister's childish love of elephants which he is distributing all over the world. The PN thinks that there should be some limit and that it would be wise if parliamentary sanction were secured in advance for these gifts. I am afraid that this would help not at all. Knowing the nature of our I.M.P.'s, I am quite sure that they will enthusiastically vote the elephants in. But I have a better plan: Let elephants be made part of the staff of our embassies abroad, one elephant or two in each foreign capital. The cost can be covered by dropping one of the secretaries. In fact, in some countries an elephant alone would do better than most of the ambassadors. It will not speak, therefore it will not say anything out of place; it will not overeat and over-drink at parties; and it will not be drawn into affairs of the heart which so often cause the downfall of our best representatives, unless some evil-meaning foreign power resorts to the nasty expedient of importing another elephant to complicate the situation. I am quite sure that the mahout will look after his elephant much better than embassy staff look after their head and anyway the element of competition between the two will be non-existent.

One does not expect intelligent solutions to official problems but might one ask why one elephant at least is not sent by air, instead of sending both by sea? Or will the sea-borne and air-borne elephants both feel lonesome?

The PN assures me that he is convinced that there has been some mistake somewhere: The elephants under despatch being not the same as the elephants ordered. Mr Kaul on the other hand says in Washington that we cannot stop elephants from growing. All this confusion, I am sure, occurs from too much red-tape which cannot unravel until the elephants have outgrown their specifications.

TRAIN COLLISION ON E. I. RLY.

Two Persons Injured

CALCUTTA, March 12 (PTI): Two persons received minor injuries when a local passenger train collided with a patrol special between Aligarh and Hardnaganj on the Moradad Division of the East Indian Railway at 5-11 a.m. today.

A press not issued by the Public Relations Officer, Calcutta Railways, stated that, of the injured, one was a fireman of the engine of the apassenger train and the other, a lady passenger.

RED RAID KRISHNA VILLAGES

VIJAYAVADA, March 12 (PTI): Armed men, described as Communists raided three villages near the border of Hyderabad State in Krishna District on Friday night, according to information received at the police headquarters here.

The raiders are stated to have stabbed a prominent man of the locality and carried away three guns from the villagers.

The injured person was admitted into the Government Hospital in a serious condition

MUTT AND JEFF—Ring It Up To No Sale And Call It Overhead

By BUD FISHER

SIZE THREE AND A HALF! SAME SIZE AS THE LAST PAIR I BOUGHT HERE! REMEMBER?
YES, BUT YOU'RE BUYING THIS PAIR FOR YOURSELF, ARE YOU NOT?
NOW HERE'S A VERY POPULAR NUMBER, MADAME!
OH, NO! THEY'D MAKE MY FEET LOOK LARGE!
HOW ABOUT THIS PAIR?
NO, I DON'T CARE FOR THAT STYLE! THEY HAVE A TENDENCY TO SPREAD OUT AND GET WIDER AS THEY GET OLDER!
WELL, MADAME, DIDN'T YOU?
SHOE
Fisher

NIZAM GREETS "THE PROMISED CHANGE"

HYDERABAD (Dn.), March 12 (PTI).

A POEM in Persian composed by the Nizam Nawab Mir Osman Ali Khan Bahadur, Hyderabad, to commemorate the Indian Republic Day on January 26, 1950, has been published today.

The following is an English rendering of the poem by Sir Nizamat Jung, ex-Member of the Nizam's Executive Council.

What splendour for our eyes—auspicious, fair!
What fragrance wafted on the morning air!
The tidings that from Delhi's walls rang wide
Brought solace to all hearts, and joy and pride
To hearts released from bonds of caste and race—
Yea, hearts that only bend before God's grace.
How wondrous is the bond of love! no heart
Disowns the spell it works by mystic art.
"Karbalas' martyrdom"—love's glorious meed—
Proclaims what blessings crown the pure heart's creed.
'Tis not the throned seat, the waving plume;
The heart' the throne that golden deeds illume.
The feast's prepared, the sparkling bowl o'erflows!
What joyous strains towards the zephyr blows!
The new dawn's greetings, "Osman" rich and strange,
And the four quarters hail the promised change!

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